CCNSISTS OF CAPITATION GRANTS OF-\$3,000-PER-FULL-TIME STUDENT-ENROLLED AT THE EEGINNING-OF-THE-SCHOOL-YEAR. TO BE AWARDED TO THE MEDICAL EDUCATION CENTER FOR EACH INDIVIDUAL COMPLETING AN ACCREDITED PROGRAM IN PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT OR NURSE PRACTITIONER TRAINING AS DEFINED UNDER SUBPARAGRAPH (B) (4) (II) OF THIS SECTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,000 FOR EACH PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT AND \$1,500 FCR EACH NURSE PRACTITIONER.

- (2) IF THE AGGREGATE AMOUNT OF THE GRANTS TO BE MADE IN ACCORDANCE WITH (C) (1) EXCEEDS THE AMOUNT AFPROPRIATEL TO THE PROGRAM IN ANY YEAR, THEN THE AMOUNT OF A SCHOOL'S GRANT FOR THAT PERIOD SHALL BE EQUAL TO: THE AMOUNT DETERMINED FOR THE SCHOOL'S UNDER (C) (1) MULTIPLIED BY THE RATIO OF THE TOTAL AMOUNT AFPROPRIATED TO THE TOTAL AMOUNT REQUIRED TO MAKE GRANTS TO ALL SCHOOLS IN ACCORDANCE WITH (C) (1).
- (3) NO GRANTS SHALL BE AWARDED UNDER THIS PROGRAM
 TO A MEDICAL EDUCATION CENTER WHICH HAS DISCONTINUED ITS
 ACCREDITED PROGRAM IN PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT OR NURSE
 PRACTITIONER TRAINING.
- (D) THE MARYLAND STATE SCHOLARSHIP BOARD SHALL ESTABLISH ANY RULES AND REGULATIONS NECESSARY FOR THE ADMINISTRATION OF THIS PROGRAM.
- (E) FUNDS FOR CAPITATION GRANTS HEREUNDER AND FOR THE NECESSARY ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES SHALL BE PROVIDED IN THE STATE BUDGET FROM YEAR TO YEAR BEGINNING WITH FISCAL YEAR 1978. ANY OF THE FUNDS REMAINING UNUSED AT THE END OF THE FISCAL YEAR SHALL REVERT TO THE GENERAL FUNDS OF THE STATE TREASURY.
- (F) NOTHING CONTAINED HEREIN SHALL IN ANY WAY IMPAIR OR AFFECT CONTROL BY THE INSTITUTIONS WHICH OFFER ACCREDITED TRAINING PROGRAMS FOR PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS AND NURSE PRACTITIONERS IN PRIMARY CARE OR THE OPERATION OF THEIR PROGRAMS, OR IN ANY WAY AFFECT THE POWER TO FIX THE STANDARDS OF SCHOLARSHIP REQUIRED FOR ADMISSION TO THE PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT OR NURSE PRACTITIONER IN PRIMARY CARE TRAINING PROGRAM.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1977.

Approved May 26, 1977.

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