

Mass Senior Care Awarded Healthcare Workforce Transformation Fund Grant

Massachusetts Senior Care Association was recently awarded a \$250,000 Healthcare Workforce Transformation Fund grant to expand implementation of the [Care Transitions Education Project](#) (CTEP), an innovative workforce training strategy to equip frontline nurses to lead and improve patient-centered care transitions. MSCA will work with three cross continuum regionally based teams from the Berkshires, Lowell and the South Shore as Phase 2 Demonstration Sites. Each Site will train a total of 20 frontline nurses across settings.. Participating Mass Senior Care Association members D'Youville Senior Care, Hancock Park Rehabilitation and Nursing Center, Fairview Commons Nursing and Rehab Center, and Hillcrest Commons will work directly with their cross continuum partners on the project. In alignment with the Chapter 224 goals to improve care and reduce costs, the grant will also focus on measuring CTEP's impact on reducing readmissions and increasing patient satisfaction. Grant activities run January 1, 2015 - December 31, 2017.

This project is funded by a Health Care Workforce Transformation Fund grant through the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Executive Office of Labor and Workforce Development. The grant program is administered by Commonwealth Corporation. See [press release](#) for more information about the Healthcare Workforce Transformation Fund, including a list of other grant recipients

CTEP was initially developed and piloted by the Massachusetts Senior Care Foundation and Western Massachusetts Nursing Collaborative through a Robert Wood Johnson and Northwest Health Foundation's Partners Investing in Nursing's Future Initiative. For more information about CTEP visit www.CareTransitionsEducation.org.