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WHA Awarded \$3.2 Million to Advance Health Workforce Well-Being

WHA has been awarded a \$3.2 million grant from the Advancing a Healthier Wisconsin Endowment (AHW) as part of a broader \$5.6 million statewide investment in health workforce well-being.

This grant affirms WHA's commitment to addressing the root causes of burnout and fostering long-term, systemic improvements in job satisfaction for those who care for our communities. WHA will lead the creation of a collaborative, evidence-based strategy to enhance professional fulfillment and mental health among health care and public health workers across Wisconsin. This initiative will be developed in close partnership with the Dr. Lorna Breen Heroes' Foundation, a national leader in health workforce well-being.

In parallel, the Wisconsin Medical Society (WisMed) has received a \$2.5 million AHW grant to launch the Wisconsin Healthcare Professional Services Program (WIHPSP). This new, confidential program will provide support and monitoring services for health care professionals facing behavioral health, psychiatric or substance use challenges—further ensuring a strong, resilient workforce for Wisconsin.

This transformative investment from AHW, the largest health philanthropy in the state, supports our shared mission to build a healthier Wisconsin. As WHA Chief Quality Officer Nadine Allen stated, "Addressing health care worker well-being requires moving beyond individual solutions to embrace long-term, systemic change."

WHA looks forward to engaging with its members as this work progresses and thanks you for your continued dedication to the health and well-being of your teams and the patients they serve. This initiative aligns with AHW's Health Workforce Well-Being Landmark Initiative, a five-year, \$50 million commitment to address critical health challenges in Wisconsin.

For more details, refer to the full press release. Contact Nadine Allen with questions.

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