

Dutchess County
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HEADLINE: President’s High Growth Job Training Initiative comes to the Hudson Valley!

Poughkeepsie, New York, June 6, 2005 – Dutchess, Orange, Yonkers, Westchester-Putnam, Rockland, Sullivan and Ulster County WIBs collaborated with the Northern Metropolitan Hospital Association (NORMET) and Pace University’s Lienhard School of Nursing to develop the [Hudson Valley Consortium Healthcare Initiative](#). The consortium has been awarded a \$1.048 million grant by the Federal Department of Labor because of an innovative solution to identified challenges in the health care industry.

The program objective is to develop a regional market allowing health care providers and educational facilities trade qualified nurses for education credits. The intent is to increase capacity in the healthcare education system allowing a greater number of nurses to enter the profession.

Orange County Workforce Investment Board as the lead agency is coordinating a program orientation for the regional educational and healthcare providers interested in participating in this grant.

ETA awarded over \$12 Million for Health Care and Biotechnology Training Projects under the President's High Growth Job Training Initiative. To view all of the awards visit http://www.doleta.gov/BRG/Indprof/ETA_awards_Grants.cfm

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