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**Adult Education Integrated Education and Training Pilot Grant**

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Proposed Cost:	<b>\$69,958.00</b>
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- The undersigned is authorized to enter into contractual obligations on behalf of the above-named organization.

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### Section I Program Overview

#### **1. Abstract:**

##### **Hancock County Integrated Patient Care Education & Training Project**

Seaport Village Healthcare, a newly open 63,600-square-foot facility, with 61 nursing care and rehabilitation services beds and 30 assisted living beds, is partnering with RSU 25 Adult Education and Ellsworth Adult Education to design an integrated Patient Care Education & Training Program for several open entry level positions--C.N.A., C.R.M.A, Dietary, and Housekeeping Aides and more. Employer needs will drive the content of the skills training and the diverse adult learner needs will drive the educational supports for the design of this project.

Upon entry into the adult education programs, learners interested in health care careers will enter a Health Care Career Pathways Orientation that involves visits to four area health care long term care, rehabilitation facilities, including, but not limited to, Seaport, Blue Hill Hospital, Cortland Living and Rehabilitation Center. These sessions, attended by learners and teachers alike, will inform the integration of educational supports into skills trainings. Adult learners will come through the doors with diverse educational backgrounds and experiences, but no matter how low the level the focus of all educational services will be based on a literacy task analysis and employability expectations of the specific positions available at Seaport Village Healthcare Facility. Throughout the preparatory educational experiences learners will be on-site, initially observing, then job shadowing & interning, later completing formal clinical training, and finally on-the-job training. Throughout the project educational supports will be combined with skills training. The skills training will be offered in collaboration with Seaport Village Health Care and the adult education programs. In the beginning, education and training will be more individualized and as learners progress in the program it will be group instruction team taught by a qualified adult basic education teacher and certified C.N.A. instructor using a co-teaching model chosen during the course of planning phase August 25, 2015, through December 31, 2015.

The project itself will start with cross disciplinary professional development involving the staff of all partners, employers, adult education programs, university college center and job training programs, to launch the project, introducing the I-BEST model, co-teaching and establishing education and training priorities. Professional development will be on-going throughout the project in a Professional Learning Community format held on bi-weekly Friday afternoons, using a blended approach (face-to-face and video-conferencing).

The goal of the project is to develop a model for designing skills training that includes educational supports that make training programs accessible to all adult learners, especially individuals with barriers to employment, the economically disadvantaged, people with disabilities, veterans, older workers, and ex-offenders. The priority is that the model can be replicated for separate industries (i.e. construction, hospitality, information technology) both in the Hancock County region and beyond. YouTube videos, workshops and presentations at conferences, area chambers of commerce and LWIB meetings will be forums for sharing the work of this pilot project.

Qualified candidates will receive C.N.A. certificates (up to 20 individuals), C.R.M.A. certificates (up to 36 individuals), WorkReady credentials and NorthStar Basic Computer Skills Certificates (up to 40 individuals). At least 85% of the adults enrolled in the Patient Care Training program will be employed by June 30, 2016. Strong working relationships will be established between Hancock County Adult Education programs and Seaport Village Healthcare and other area health care employers.