

# Memo

**To:** Western Pennsylvania Hospital School of Nursing Students

**From:**

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Director, School of Nursing

Sarah Loomis  
Financial Aid Director

**Date:** July 27, 2021

**Re:** The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 - H.R.1319 (ARP)

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The American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 - H.R.1319 (ARP) included additional COVID-19 relief for institutions of higher education. Each institution will receive an allotted amount per a calculation detailed in the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 Higher Education Emergency Relief Fund III (HEERF III) bill.

The Western Pennsylvania Hospital School of Nursing (WPHSON) retains the discretion to determine the amount of each individual emergency financial aid grant consistent with all applicable laws including non-discrimination laws. WPHSON thoroughly reviewed each student's financial aid file. Per direction and guidance set forth by the Department of Education. WPHSON elected to determine a student's ARP Act (HEERF III) award amount based off of the student's Expected Family Contribution (EFC) on their 2021/2022 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Below is a chart detailing how much grants funds were awarded per student based off of the EFC.

<b>2021/2022 EFC</b>	<b>ARP Act Funds</b>
0-5846	\$2,250.00
5847-12000	\$1,750.00
12001+	\$1,500.00
Non FAFSA Filers	\$1,000.00

A student's EFC can be located on their Student Aid Report. A student receives their Student Aid Report via email once their FAFSA is processed. A student can also log on to [www.studentaid.gov](http://www.studentaid.gov) to review their Student Aid Report.

The ARP Act (HEERF III) funds will be processed via Allegheny Health Networks Accounts Payable department. The Student Accounts Office will notify the student when their check is ready for pickup via the email listed in the student portal and remind messaging.

Any questions, comments or concerns can be directed to the Director or Financial Aid Director of Western Pennsylvania Hospital School of Nursing.

Sincerely,

Dr. Amy Stoker  
Director

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