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### Friends of Nursing Grants

#### New Knowledge, Innovations & Improvements: Evidence-Based Practice Improvement Projects
FON awards up to $1800 per project.

**Purpose:** To support the culture of inquiry and innovation by exploring new knowledge, innovation, and improvements through evidence-based or quality improvement initiatives that aim to improve patient outcome.

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