

## Letter from Laura Hopkins



Hello and Happy New Year! I hope that you're having a good start to the year. I'm very proud of what we've all accomplished together in 2022 and am looking ahead to serving even more healthcare workers in 2023.

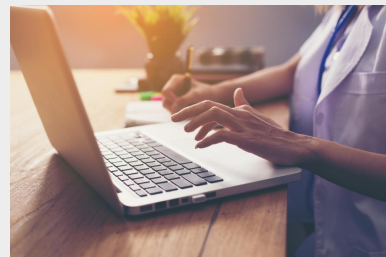
We are so excited that we were able to fund ALL members who applied for Tuition Assistance by the October 15, 2022, deadline! And we even had remaining funding to cover some members who applied after the deadline...

[Read more from our Executive Director](#)

## Tell us how we're doing!

Take a few minutes to [complete the Member Satisfaction Survey](#) and help us serve you better.

Your input helps us improve our offerings – plus three randomly chosen submissions can win free Chromebooks! The survey will stay open through Tuesday, February 28.



[Take the Survey](#)

## Need a computer or faster Wi-Fi?



As part of our commitment to promoting digital access, we launched two new programs with Eduscape for anyone participating in a Training Fund program:

[Laptop Lending program](#)

[Mobile Hotspot Lending program](#)

If you are participating in any Training Fund program (including career counseling,

professional development, tutoring, workshops, tuition assistance, HEET, apprenticeship, and education and training programs), you are eligible to borrow a Chromebook or mobile hotspot.

This amazing resource also includes free helpdesk access!

[Request your laptop](#)

[Request your hotspot](#)

## Behavioral Health Apprenticeships



To meet skyrocketing behavioral health needs, the Health Care Apprenticeship Consortium (HCAC), led by the Training Fund, now offers [behavioral health apprenticeship opportunities](#) in three crucial areas: Peer Counseling, Behavioral Health Technician, and Substance Use Disorder Professional.

Apprenticeships benefit everyone:

- **Apprentices earn a wage while learning on the job** and completing college coursework.
- **Employers gain a tremendous return on investment** and increase employee loyalty and overall productivity.

[Learn more about apprenticeships](#)

## New Programs

### Swedish Workers: Apply to the Culinary Arts program at Edmonds College to become a Line Cook!



This new pilot program is for Swedish workers, who can earn a 4-quarter certificate program in culinary arts and eventually qualify to transfer into a Line Cook/Cook2 position at Swedish.

[Learn about this new program](#)

### Advanced Certification for EVS Technicians (ACET)

We launched the new [Advanced Certification](#)

**for EVS Technicians (ACET)** last fall in collaboration with Swedish Hospital. ACET combines interactive learning, onsite training, and assessment in a 24-hour format! ACET is free for eligible Training Fund members and also available to non-members.



Congrats to the first six participants, shown here, who passed their ACET exam in December! [Read more about the first cohort here.](#)

[Learn more about ACET](#)

## LifeTek Certification Courses



Service and Pro/Tech members can use their Professional Development funds to cover the cost of a LifeTek course!

Certification courses include:

- BLS for Providers
- CPR Certification
- Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support (ACLS)
- Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS)
- ACLS with BLS Combo Courses

Training Fund members can get a 15% discount off the open course enrollment course by using code **SEIU15**.

[Learn more about LifeTek](#)

## Member Spotlight



Read about how **Alex Knox, a Nursing Assistant at MultiCare Deaconess**, utilized Training Fund support services to advance his healthcare career.

[Read Alex's Story](#)

[Apply to the Training Fund](#)

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