GOAL 1: MEET THE HEALTH WORKFORCE NEEDS OF FLORIDA.

PRIORITY 1.1: EXPAND THE NUMBER OF PHYSICIAN RESIDENCY SLOTS TO ADDRESS PHYSICIAN PIPELINE AND SHORTAGE ISSUES.

Strategy: Establish a competitive grant program to support the expansion of existing Graduate Medical Education (GME) programs or the creation of new GME programs.

PRIORITY 1.2: CREATE OR EXPAND PROGRAMS TO MEET THE DEMAND FOR PRE-LICENSURE BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING (BSN) GRADUATES, NURSE PRACTITIONERS, CERTIFIED REGISTERED NURSE ANESTHETISTS, AND PHD GRADUATES.

Strategy: Establish a competitive grant program to provide one-time funding for the recruitment and retention of nursing faculty in order to expand program capacity in the short term.

Strategy: Develop a long-term plan to address ongoing nurse faculty needs in light of projected workforce demand. The plan should address in detail the number and type of faculty needed and cost estimates associated with the implementation of the plan.

GOAL 2: INCREASE THE COMPETITIVENESS OF THE SYSTEM’S HEALTH-RELATED RESEARCH.

PRIORITY 2.1: DEVELOP A SHARED DATA INFRASTRUCTURE TO FACILITATE ANALYSIS OF ‘BIG DATA’ IN SUPPORT OF CLINICAL RESEARCH, COMPARATIVE EFFECTIVENESS RESEARCH AND IMPLEMENTATION SCIENCE.

Strategy: Build a shared computing system that allows researchers to easily store and share enormous quantities of data securely.

PRIORITY 2.2: SEEK ADDITIONAL INVESTMENTS IN RESEARCH FACILITIES THAT ENHANCE SYSTEM-WIDE COLLABORATION IN CRITICAL HEALTH-RELATED RESEARCH AREAS.

Strategy: Develop a long-term plan for expanding research facilities across the State University System. The plan should address in detail the number, type, and cost of facilities needed.

PRIORITY 2.3: CREATE INCENTIVES FOR RESEARCH COLLABORATION, RESEARCH COMMERCIALIZATION, AND TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER.

Strategy: Establish a matching grant program for university and business research partnerships by building upon the federal SBIR/STTR (Small Business Innovation Research/Small Business Technology Transfer) model.