DC's Health Professional Loan Repayment Program



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Applicant materials are available at:

http://doh.dc.gov/service/dchealth-professional-loan-repaymentprogram-hplrp

The DC Department of Health (DOH) is now accepting applications for the Health Professional Loan Repayment Program (HPLRP), which provides loan repayment services to eligible providers practicing in HPLRP-certified Service Obligation Sites (SOS) in the District. DOH will be accepting new provider applications between October 1st – October 30th, 2015.

Eligible providers for the current HPLRP cycle include licensed and certified physicians, registered nurses, advanced practice nurses, physician assistants, dentists, dental hygienists, psychiatrists, clinical social workers, clinical psychologists, and professional counselors.

Providers interested in the program must be employed or have an employment contract with a certified Service Obligation Site (SOS) to provide direct patient care for at least 40 hours per week. A site must be an approved SOS for a provider to be eligible for the HPLRP. To become a SOS, a site must be a public or non-profit entity located in a Health Professional Shortage or Medically Underserved Area (HPSA/MUA) and must submit an application to the HPLRP. Applications, including recommendation letters and loan verification information, must be complete and submitted to the DOH by October 30th, 2015.

Two-year loan repayment contracts will be issued in January 2016. The two-year contract amounts will be equivalent to 44 percent of a provider's total eligible debt up to \$62,981 for physicians and dentists and up to \$34,632 for all other eligible professionals.

The program will be issuing approximately two to four awards, with priority given to dental health and mental health providers (e.g. dentists, dental hygienists, psychiatrists, clinical social workers, clinical psychologists, professional counselors).

For more information please click <u>here</u> or contact the loan repayment program directly at <u>HPLRP@dc.gov</u> or 202-442-9168.







