On September 1, 2018, the District of Columbia Department of Health (DC Health) will accept applications for the Health Professional Loan Repayment Program (HPLRP). The program provides loan repayment services to eligible provider’s practicing in HPLRP-certified Service Obligation Sites (SOS) in the District. New provider applications will be accepted from September 1, 2018 – October 30, 2018.

The HPLRP will issue up to four (4) award contracts to primary care providers, including: physicians, registered nurses, advanced practice nurses, and or physician assistants. Award contracts will cover two years of participation and award contract amounts will be equivalent to 44 percent of a provider’s total eligible debt - up to a maximum of $65,327 for physicians and up to $35,929 for all other eligible primary care providers.

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 an SOS, a site must be a public or non-profit entity located in a Health Professional Shortage or Medically Underserved Area /Population (HPSA/MUA/MUP) and must submit a Site Certification Application to the HPLRP. HPLRP applications, including recommendation letters and loan verification information, must be completed and received by DC Health by October 30, 2018.

Anticipated contract start dates for selected applicants is March 2019.

For more information please click here or contact the loan repayment program directly at HPLRP@dc.gov or 202-442-5892.