NORTH DAKOTA
State Loan Repayment Programs

WHO
Dentists

WHAT
The North Dakota Loan Repayment Programs are state financed and administered programs designed to attract physicians, nurse practitioners, physician assistants and dentists to practice in areas of need.

WHERE
Dentists are encouraged to practice in areas of greatest need.

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Public Health and Nonprofit Dental Loan Repayment Program

This loan repayment program has been established for dentists who will practice in a public health setting or a nonprofit dental clinic. The clinic must use a sliding fee schedule to bill patients. Three applicants can be selected each year for this program and the grant funds must be used to repay the educational loans. A dentist may receive up to $60,000 paid over a two-year period. The dentist must serve full time in the public health setting or nonprofit dental clinic for a period of three years.

Who is Eligible?

Any dentist willing to practice in the public health or nonprofit dental clinic setting is eligible for this program. The dentist must use a sliding fee schedule to bill patients.

Length of Service

The dentist shall serve three years as a full-time practicing dentist.

Community Selection Criteria

This program is open only to public health dental clinics or nonprofit dental clinics utilizing the sliding fee scale for patient billing.

Application Deadline

Applications are due March 15th

Services Council Reviews by April 30

Contracts signed and returned June 30

Payments

- Payments are made during the first two years of this three-year commitment.
- 1st payment will be made at the end of the first year of service obligation, by June 30th.
- 2nd payment will be made at the end of the second year of service obligation in accordance with applicable laws.

Financial Benefits

- Receive up to $60,000 for a two-year commitment.
- State funds used as match.
- Renewal based on available funds.

Service Commitment

Must practice two years in selected community.

North Dakota Federal/State Loan Repayment Program (SLRP)

Application Requirements - Provider Selection Criteria

- Community Selection Criteria
- Community must be located in a HPSA.
- Must be U.S. citizen.
- Must not have outstanding contractual obligations unless completed before the SLRP contract has been signed (this includes recruitment bonuses).
- Must not have a judgment lien against their property.
- Must not be excluded, debarred, suspended or disqualified by a Federal agency.
- Must not have defaulted on a Federal or State obligation or have debts written off as uncollectible.
- Must not have breached a prior service obligation or have not had any service or payment obligation waived.
- Graduated from an accredited training program in the U.S., its possessions, territories or Canada.
- Approved/licensed by discipline specific licensing boards.
- Achievement of matching funds.
- Accept Medicare and Medicaid assignment.
- Agree to practice two years in selected area.

Eligible Sites

- Federally-Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs)
- Rural Health Clinics
- Critical Access Hospitals
- State/County Mental Health Hospitals
- Long-Term Care Facilities
- Community Outreach Facility
- Community Mental Health Facility
- State/County Health Department Clinics
- Free Clinic School-based Health Clinics
- Indian Health Service Clinics
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