

Licensed health care providers may earn up to \$50,000 toward student loans in exchange for a two-year commitment at an NHSC-approved site through the NHSC Loan Repayment Program (NHSC LRP).

Eligibility

To be eligible to apply to the National Health Service Corps Loan Repayment Program, you must be:

- A U.S. citizen (either U.S. born or naturalized) or U.S. National;
- Eligible to participate as a provider in the Medicare, Medicaid and the State Children's Health Insurance Program, as appropriate; and
- Fully trained and licensed to practice in the NHSC-eligible mental/behavioral health discipline in which you are applying to serve.
- Priority consideration is given to eligible applicants whose NHSC-approved site has a HPSA score of 26 to 14, in descending order.

Additionally, you must:

- have unpaid student loans, taken before your application to the NHSC Loan Repayment Program to support undergraduate or graduate education and
- be working at or have an accepted offer of employment with an NHSC-approved service site. You can find open opportunities at NHSC-approved sites at the NHSC Jobs Center.

Eligible Disciplines:

- Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC)
- Licensed Marital and Family Therapist (LMFT)
- Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW)

Qualifying Loans:

- **YES:** Loans must have been obtained by the applicant to cover school tuition, other reasonable education and living expenses associated with the undergraduate or graduate education, which led to their health professions degree. Only loans provided by Federal, State and local entities, as well as commercial institutions qualify.
- **NO:** Loans that have been paid in full, are in default, or were obtained for someone other than the applicant do not qualify. Personal lines of credit, credit card debt, and debt associated with relocation or residency programs, do not qualify for repayment.