

STATE LOAN REPAYMENT PROGRAM

General

The Virginia State Loan Repayment Program (VA-SLRP) is a federal grant from the Health Resources Services Administration (HRSA), Bureau of Health Professions and is administered by the Virginia Department of Health (VDH) Office of Health Equity (OHE). VA-SLRP grants participants educational loan repayment in exchange for at least two (2) years of service in a Health Professional Shortage Area (HPSA) in Virginia.

Criteria

VA-SLRP participants must agree to serve at least two (2) years in a HPSA in Virginia as determined by HRSA. To locate Virginia's HPSAs by county, please visit: <http://hpsafind.hrsa.gov/HPSASearch.aspx>.

VA-SLRP requires a community match from the HPSA in which the participant is located. The award cannot exceed \$140k. The minimum service obligation is two (2) years, and for that time, the maximum payment is \$100,000. A maximum amount of \$50,000 is paid by the community/practice site in the first two years of the agreement and up to \$50,000 paid by the VA-SLRP Program. For the third and fourth renewal years, extensions can be awarded each year for a total of up to \$40,000 (\$20,000 Federal and \$20,000 Community/Practice Site match). The amount of the Federal portion of the award will be determined partially by the amount provided by the participants' practice site cash match portion. The total amount of awards for all four years cannot exceed \$140,000 or the loan balance.

Eligible Applicants

Health care professionals trained in the following disciplines are eligible to apply to VA-SLRP: Primary Care Physicians, Dentists, Nurse Practitioners, Nurse Midwives, Physician Assistants, Registered Dental Hygienists, Psychiatric Nurse Specialists, Mental Health Counselors, Health Service Psychologists, Licensed Clinical Social Workers, Licensed Professional Counselors, Marriage and Family Therapists, Registered Nurses, and Pharmacists.

Procedure

For a full list of scholarship conditions and to complete a VA-SLRP application, please visit: <http://166.67.66.226/healthpolicy/primarycare/incentives/loanrepayment/>

Completed applications may be returned to:
VDH, OHE, ATTN: Loan Repayment Program
109 Governor Street, Suite 1016E, Richmond, VA 23219

VA-SLRP applications are accepted January 1 through July 31 of each year.

Please send your questions to olivette.burroughs@vdh.virginia.gov or call (804) 864-7435.