

Dental Recruitment Resources for Health Professional Shortage Areas in Wisconsin

NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE CORPS (NHSC) – Loan Repayment (federal) <http://nhsc.hrsa.gov/loanrepayment/>

Eligible Providers*	Eligible Sites & Requirements	Provider Benefits & Obligations	Application Information & Assistance
<p>U.S. citizens. Full, unrestricted license in state.</p> <p>Employed or have employment offer (must be able to begin working within 60 days of submitting application).</p> <p>Provide full or part-time general or pediatric dental services.</p> <p>Dentists (general or pediatric) and dental hygienists.</p> <p>The provider cannot be currently completing another service obligation, be in breach of another service obligation or have judgment liens against them from unpaid federal debt obligations.</p>	<p>Public or private clinics and facilities in designated dental HPSAs.</p> <p>Must provide general or pediatric oral health care, and be part of a system that provides comprehensive primary care.</p> <p>Sites must also:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - provide services on a discounted fee schedule, - accept patients covered by Medicare, Medicaid, and BadgerCare+, - and be able to maintain competitive salary, benefits, and malpractice coverage for clinicians, - submit data reports to NHSC (patient demographics & provider data). <p>For more information regarding site applications and site eligibility: http://nhsc.hrsa.gov/communities/</p>	<p>Up to \$60,000 for an initial 2-year service commitment and 1-year extensions can provide up to \$170,000 for 5 years of service.</p> <p>Exempt from federal taxes.</p> <p>Must provide dental care services the following hours:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - general dentists and hygienists should spend at least 32 hours providing direct patient care if full-time; at least 16 hours if half-time - pediatric dentists should spend at least 21 hours providing direct patient care if full-time; at least 11 hours if half-time <p>Some teaching time can be covered; see application guidance for details.</p> <p>All providers must commit to at least a 2-year obligation.</p> <p>Financial penalty for non-compliance.</p>	<p>Sites must be approved first. Site applications may be obtained here: http://nhsc.hrsa.gov/communities/</p> <p>Current LRP application period is open until May 26, 2011 (all application materials must be received by this date). Application includes an online form and supplemental documents that can be mailed or faxed to NHSC.</p> <p>Directions available at: http://nhsc.hrsa.gov/loanrepayment/</p> <p>Current application guidance http://nhsc.hrsa.gov/loanrepayment/pdf/2011nhsclrpguidance.pdf</p> <p>For vacancy information or site assistance, contact Traici Brockman in the WI Primary Care Office at (608) 267-1440 or traici.brockman@dhs.wisconsin.gov http://www.dhs.wisconsin.gov/health/primarycare/Loan&Scholarship.htm</p>

WISCONSIN HEALTH PROFESSIONS LOAN ASSISTANCE (state) http://www.worh.org/hplap_info

Eligible Providers*	Eligible Sites & Requirements	Provider Benefits & Obligations	Application Information & Assistance
<p>Dentist or dental hygienist with Wisconsin license or professional certification. Employed by the application deadline.</p> <p>Practice General or Pediatric Dentistry.</p> <p>For awards made with matching federal funds, providers must: work in a public or non-profit site provide financial access to care be a U.S. citizen and not have a judgment lien against their property for a debt to the U.S.</p>	<p>Federally designated dental HPSAs in state or American Indian reservations or trust lands of an American Indian tribe. All practice sites must be General or Pediatric dental care sites.</p> <p>Providers must provide dental services to a minimum number of unduplicated Medicaid or BadgerCare recipients. The program requires a minimum of 50 recipients and \$8,000 in claims during the first year of the award, 70 recipients and \$11,000 the second year and 90 recipients and \$15,000 the third year.</p> <p>For awards made with matching federal funds, sites must:</p>	<p>Up to \$50,000 over 3 years for dentists. Up to \$25,000 over 3 years for hygienists.</p> <p>Funds disbursement: One third of the total award paid each year.</p> <p>Awards are exempt from state and federal taxes.</p> <p>Providers must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Work full-time (at least 32 clinic hours/wk, 45 wks/year). - Commit to at least a 3-year obligation <p>Financial penalty for non-compliance.</p>	<p>Applications are considered and awarded on a rolling basis, based on available funds.</p> <p>Application is submitted online and supplemental documentation mailed to WI Office of Rural Health. Directions and application available at: http://www.worh.org/hplap_info</p> <p>If there are more applicants than awards available applications are ranked by some of the following criteria: extremely high need for medical care; per capita income; financial and other support for applicant recruitment and retention; geographic distribution; educational loan balance and applicant retention.</p> <p>For additional information contact: Kevin Jacobson, (608) 261-1888 or 1-800-385-0005</p>

	be public or non-profit private agencies, serve Medicaid, BadgerCare+, Medicare, and provide a sliding fee scale for persons with incomes less than 200% of federal poverty level		Kmjacobson2@wisc.edu
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*NOTE: Most federal and state programs do not allow providers to participate in more than one scholarship or loan repayment program at a time.

NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE CORPS (NHSC) – Scholarship (federal) <http://nhsc.hrsa.gov/scholarship/apply.htm>

Eligible Students	Eligible Sites & Requirements	Provider Benefits & Obligations	Application Information & Assistance
<p>U.S. citizens.</p> <p>Dental students pursuing the D.D.S. or D.M.D. degree in accredited dental schools that plan to practice general or pediatric dentistry.</p> <p>Free from any judgment lien against his/her property arising from federal debt owed to the U.S.</p> <p>No conflicting service commitments.</p>	<p>Approved sites in high need dental HPSAs with a score of 17 or above for 2010-2011.</p> <p>Must provide general or pediatric oral health care, and be part of a system that provides comprehensive primary care in an outpatient setting.</p> <p>Must provide financial access (accept Medicaid, Medicare, BadgerCare+ and have a sliding fee scale for low-income patients).</p>	<p>Full tuition and fees, monthly stipend, books, supplies, and educational equipment for up to four years. The scholarship is tax-free but the living stipend is taxable.</p> <p>Must provide 1 year of service at an approved high need site for each year of scholarship received. There is a minimum service commitment of 2 years, which must begin upon completion of your health professions training or applicable residency.</p>	<p>Student applications for scholarships are due in the Spring. Students may also sign up at the website for email notification of when the application period opens. http://nhsc.hrsa.gov/scholarship/</p> <p>This is a competitive process with few slots. Only 200 awards are expected to be made for 2011-2012.</p> <p>Call Traici Brockman with the WI Primary Care Section at (608) 267-1440 or traici.brockman@dhs.wisconsin.gov for information on the highest need dental HPSAs and clinics in Wisconsin that might be eligible for future employment. http://dhs.wisconsin.gov/health/primarycare/index.htm</p>

Other Scholarship programs:

Indian Health Service

The Indian Health Service has 3 scholarship options for students who are American Indian/Alaska Natives and are studying the health professions.

1. **Health Professions Preparatory Scholarship Program** – provides financial assistance for AI/AN students to enroll in compensatory or preparatory courses leading to entry to health professional schools such as nursing, pharmacy, and others. Scholarship support is paid for 10 months each academic year with re-application required for each year of continuation. Funding is available 2 years full-time or 4 years part-time.
2. **Health Professions Pre-Graduate Scholarship Program** – provides financial support for AI/AN students to enroll in courses leading to a bachelor’s degree in specific pre-professional areas such as pre-medicine, pre-dentistry, and others as needed by Indian Health programs. Support is paid for 10 months each academic year with re-application required for each year of continuation. Funding is available 4 years full-time or 8 years part-time.
3. **Health Professions Scholarship Program** – scholarship program for AI/AN students enrolled in health professions and allied health professions programs. Students incur service obligations and payback requirements on acceptance of funding from this program. Priority is given to graduate and junior/senior level students. Scholarships are awarded for 12 months with re-application required for each year of continuation. Funding is available 4 years full-time or 8 years part-time.

Full information on program guidelines, eligibility requirements, selection criteria, recipient responsibilities and application handbook can be found here:

<http://www.scholarship.ihs.gov/index.cfm>