



# Mental Health Loan Repayment Recruitment Resources for Health Professional Shortage Areas in Wisconsin

	<b>National Health Service Corps (NHSC)</b> <a href="http://nhsc.hrsa.gov/index.html">http://nhsc.hrsa.gov/index.html</a>	<b>Wisconsin Health Professions Loan Assistance (HPLAP)</b> <a href="http://www.worh.org/hplap_info">http://www.worh.org/hplap_info</a>	<b>NURSE Corps Loan Repayment Program</b> <a href="http://www.hrsa.gov/loanscholarships/repayment/nursing/">http://www.hrsa.gov/loanscholarships/repayment/nursing/</a>
Eligible providers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• US citizen; full licensure; employed at NHSC site</li> <li>• Physicians — MD/DO (psychiatry)</li> <li>• Health service psychologists (HSP)</li> <li>• Licensed clinical social workers (LCSW)</li> <li>• Psychiatric nurse specialists (PNS)</li> <li>• Marriage and family therapists (MFT)</li> <li>• Licensed professional counselors (LPC)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• US citizen; WI license; employed or have employment offer</li> <li>• Physicians — MD/DO (psychiatry)</li> <li>• Nurse practitioner (NP)</li> <li>• Physician assistant (PA)</li> </ul> <p>(NPs and PAs must have a mental health specialty)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• US citizen, US national or lawful permanent resident</li> <li>• Full licensure for an RN</li> <li>• Appropriate bachelor's or master's degree in nursing</li> <li>• Employed as an RN</li> </ul>
Eligible sites and requirements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Located in a high need mental health HPSA and become approved site</li> <li>• Employ provider full or part-time in outpatient care</li> <li>• Provide comprehensive outpatient care</li> <li>• Provide financial access to patients on Medicaid/Medicare/BadgerCare Plus or the uninsured on a discount fee schedule</li> <li>• Provide competitive salary, benefits, and malpractice coverage</li> <li>• Submit data reports to NHSC</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Federally designated mental health HPSAs in WI</li> <li>• Community primary care sites</li> <li>• Sites must be public or nonprofit agencies</li> <li>• Sites must serve Medicaid/Medicare/BadgerCare Plus and provide a sliding fee scale for persons with income less than 200% of federal poverty level</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Site must be deemed a public or nonprofit Critical Shortage Facility for nursing</li> <li>• Site must be located in a designated mental health HPSA</li> <li>• HPSA score may be factored into award preferences</li> </ul>
Provider benefits and obligations	<p><b>All providers must commit to at least an initial 2-year obligation</b></p> <p>Full-time practice:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Up to \$50,000 for 2 year service commitment in HPSAs &gt;14</li> <li>• Up to \$30,000 for 2 year service commitment in HPSAs &lt;13</li> <li>• Opportunity for 1-year extensions after initial service commitment is complete</li> <li>• Provide at least 21 hrs/wk in scheduled direct outpatient counseling</li> <li>• Awards exempt from federal taxes</li> </ul>	<p><b>All providers must commit to at least a 3-year obligation</b></p> <p>Full-time practice:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Up to \$50,000 over 3 years</li> <li>• Funds disbursement: one third of the total award paid each year</li> <li>• Provide 32 clinic hrs/wk for 45 wks/yr</li> <li>• Awards exempt from federal and state taxes</li> </ul>	<p><b>All providers must commit to at least an initial 2-year obligation</b></p> <p>Full-time practice:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Up to 60% of qualifying loan balance for 2-year service commitment (30% of balance paid each year)</li> <li>• Up to 25% of qualifying loan balance for optional 3<sup>rd</sup> year commitment</li> <li>• 32 hrs/wk in direct patient care</li> <li>• Awards are subject to federal taxation</li> </ul>
Application information & assistance	<p>Sites must be approved first. Application acceptance period and materials can be found at <a href="http://nhsc.hrsa.gov/sites/becomenhscapprovedsite/index.html">http://nhsc.hrsa.gov/sites/becomenhscapprovedsite/index.html</a></p> <p>Individual application cycles typically open Jan — March annually (but this time period may vary, interested persons should check website for most updated application information). Application must be completed online, directions can be found at <a href="http://nhsc.hrsa.gov/loanrepayment/index.html">http://nhsc.hrsa.gov/loanrepayment/index.html</a></p> <p>For vacancy information or site assistance contact Jaime Olson in the Wisconsin Primary Care Office at (608) 267-1440 or <a href="mailto:jaime.olson@dhs.wisconsin.gov">jaime.olson@dhs.wisconsin.gov</a></p>	<p>Individual applications are accepted May through September, check website for dates. Applications are submitted online at <a href="http://www.worh.org/hplap_info">http://www.worh.org/hplap_info</a></p> <p>For additional information contact Kevin Jacobson at (608) 261-1888 or <a href="mailto:Kmjacobson2@wisc.edu">Kmjacobson2@wisc.edu</a></p>	<p>For more information: Program homepage can be found at <a href="http://www.hrsa.gov/loanscholarships/repayment/nursing/overview.html">http://www.hrsa.gov/loanscholarships/repayment/nursing/overview.html</a></p> <p>Application guidance can be found at <a href="http://www.hrsa.gov/loanscholarships/repayment/nursing/guidance.pdf">http://www.hrsa.gov/loanscholarships/repayment/nursing/guidance.pdf</a></p> <p>Toll-free (800) 221-9393</p>

For all programs: Providers cannot participate in more than one loan repayment program at a time. They may exhaust eligibility in one program and then apply to another. Providers cannot have any other competing service obligations while in a loan repayment program. Providers may not have any judgment liens against them from unpaid federal debt obligations. There is severe financial penalty for breach of contract.