

National Health Service Corps (NHSC) Loan Repayment Program (LPR) Notice

There is still time to apply for the National Health Service Corps (NHSC) Loan Repayment Program (LPR). The NHSC has recently raised its funding rates for service at approved Health Professional Shortage Area (HPSA) sites, thereby increasing the opportunity for more psychologists to participate in the NHSC-LRP. Applicants are encouraged to apply early and **applications are being accepted through July 29, 2010**.

To apply, visit NHSC website:
<http://nhsc.hrsa.gov/loanrepayment/>

INCREASED FUNDING: Funding is now \$145,000 for 2-7 years of service. The breakdown is as follows:

*First Two Years: Up to \$50,000

*Third Year: Up to \$35,000

*Fourth Year: Up to \$35,000

*Fifth Year: Up to \$20,000

*Sixth Year: Up to \$20,000

*Seventh Year and Beyond: Up to \$15,000

In order to participate in the LPR program, psychologists must find a facility or site that is: 1) designated as a mental HPSA; and 2) willing to hire them.

ELIGIBILITY: All health service psychologists with doctoral degrees (PhD and Psy D) are eligible for the NHSC Loan Repayment Program: clinical, counseling, and school psychologists. The NHSC Loan Repayment Program is now also open to geropsychologists. Of the eligible health professions, those that specialize in health care for older adults are specifically eligible.

PART-TIME LRP PILOT PROGRAM: In addition, clinicians working on a part time basis (20 to 39 hours weekly, at least 45 hours annually) are also now eligible to participate in a pilot program. The criteria for the Part-Time Loan Repayment Program is comparable to the current, full-time NHSC LRP: <http://nhsc.hrsa.gov/loanrepayment/halftime/>

To find out about existing openings within the NHSC community sites for psychologists, go to:
<http://nhscjobs.hrsa.gov/>.

Or, to find out how to create new NHSC community sites, visit:
<http://nhsc.hrsa.gov/communities/>.

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