



Office of Rural Health and Primary Care (ORHPC)

Student Loan Repayment Program (SLRP)

- Awards funding for educational loan repayment to Missouri licensed practicing psychiatry, medical, and dental health professionals in exchange for services in Missouri areas with a shortage of mental health, medical, and dental professionals.

Applications are accepted from January 1 to March 1, each year.

Maximum Loan Amounts:

- \$50,000 for eligible primary care physicians and dentists (MD, DO, DDS, DMD)
- Qualifying physician specialties include: family practice, internal medicine, pediatrics, OB/GYN, and psychiatry.

Forgiveness:

- Earned by working as a primary care provider in a Health Professional Shortage Area (HPSA) for 2-year service agreement, per award.
- You can look up HPSA sites by visiting the following website:
<https://data.hrsa.gov/tools/shortage-area>

Qualifications:

- Missouri Resident
- No conflicting service obligations.
- Must engage in qualifying employment.



Program Contact Information:

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Telephone: 800-891-7415 or 573-751-6441

Website: <https://health.mo.gov/living/families/primarycare/loanrepayment>