



# Oregon Health Care Provider Loan Repayment

## (Part of OHA's Health Care Provider Incentive Program)

The Healthcare Provider Incentive Loan Repayment Program was established by the Oregon Legislature to help support underserved communities in recruitment and retention of high quality providers who serve Medicaid and Medicare patients. In exchange for service at a qualifying practice site, participants receive funds to repay qualifying student loan debt. Awards are calculated based on the balance owed on qualifying loans upon program entry.

### Eligible Providers

- Dentists
- Expanded Practice Dental Hygienists
- Physicians (MD, DO, or ND)
- Nurse Practitioners
- Physician Assistants
- Pharmacists
- Psychiatrists
- Clinical Psychologists
- Licensed Clinical Social Workers
- Licensed Marriage and Family Therapists
- Licensed Professional Counselor

### Qualifying Practice Sites

To qualify a site must:

- Be located in a Health Professional Shortage Area (HPSA), or have a Facility HSPA; **AND**
- Be serving Medicaid and Medicare patients in no less than the same proportion of such patients in the county; **AND**
- Have a Site Application on file with the Oregon Office of Rural Health and have received confirmation of site qualification.

### Award Information

Full time service providers must commit to a 3 year minimum service obligation in exchange for a tax free award of 50 percent of their qualifying loan debt balance, up to \$35,000 per obligation year. Part time service providers must commit to a 3 year minimum service obligation in exchange for a tax free award of 25 percent of their qualifying loan debt balance, up to \$25,000 per obligation year. Depending on availability of funds award continuations of up to a maximum of 9 total award years may be possible. The program opened for applications on March 19, 2018.

[Access the fillable Application](#)



## Questions

For more information and answers to specific questions, please contact the Office of Rural Health at: [ruralworkforce@ohsu.edu](mailto:ruralworkforce@ohsu.edu) | 503-494-4450 | toll-free 866-674-4376.

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