

Qualified Professions can Receive Assistance in Paying Student Loans

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WASHINGTON, D.C. - the Department of Health and Human Services announced the launch of the 2011 application cycle for the National Health Service Corps (NHSC) Loan Repayment Program. The National Health Service Corps is a competitive program that recruits health professionals to serve in areas with inadequate access to health care (referred to as Health Professional Shortage Areas—HSPAs). In return for their service, the corps assists clinicians in their payment of qualifying education loans. To be eligible, counselors must be fully trained, licensed and working at (or in the final stages of employment negotiations with) an NHSC-eligible facility.

Eligible applicants are encouraged to apply early. Processing of applications will be conducted continuously until September 2011. To find out if you are an eligible health professional, for more information, and to view the information bulletin and download the forms required for applying for a NHSC position, please visit www.nhsc.hrsa.gov/loanrepayment/