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South Dakota Recruitment Assistance Programs for Health Professionals & Communities

Program Name	Recruitment Assistance Program-Physician/Dentist	Recruitment Assistance Program-Physician Assistant, Nurse Practitioner, Nurse Midwife	Rural Healthcare Facility Recruitment Assistance Program
Description	Recruitment assistance program available to eligible physicians and dentists licensed in South Dakota who agree to practice in a community with a population of 10,000 or less that has been assessed by the Department of Health and determined to both need and be able to sustain a physician or dentist.	Recruitment assistance program available for midlevel practitioners licensed in the state of South Dakota who agree to practice in a community with a population of 10,000 or less.	Recruitment assistance program in which the eligible health professional must enter into a three-way contract with the employing facility and state. The employing facility must reside in a community with a population of 10,000 or less.
Benefits	The amount reimbursable is equal to double the USD School of Medicine’s resident tuition for the most recent four year period. The current amount is approximately \$138,328.	The amount reimbursable is equal to double the University of South Dakota’s resident tuition for physician assistant studies for the three most recently completed academic years. The current amount is approximately \$31,345.	\$10,000 payment at the end of service commitment.
Commitment	Agree to practice full-time in an eligible community for at least three consecutive years.	Agree to practice full-time in an eligible community for at least three consecutive years.	Agree to practice full-time in an eligible community and eligible facility for at least three consecutive years.
Eligible Disciplines	Family medicine, pediatrics, internal medicine, and OB/GYN. General and Pediatric Dentistry	Physician Assistant, Nurse Practitioner, and Nurse Midwife.	Dietitian or Nutritionist, Nurse (LPN or RN), Occupational Therapist, Respiratory Therapist, Pharmacist, Physical Therapist, Paramedic, Certified Medical Laboratory Professional, and Radiologic Technologist.
More Information	http://doh.sd.gov/RuralHealth/RAP.aspx or contact the Office of Rural Health at (800) 738- 2301 or (605) 773-3517.	http://doh.sd.gov/RuralHealth/RAP.aspx or contact the Office of Rural Health at (800)738-2301 or (605)773-3517	http://doh.sd.gov/RuralHealth/FacilityRecruitment.aspx or contact the Office of Rural Health at (800)738-2301 or (605)773-2679