



SOUTH DAKOTA  
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

# Got Debt?

# SDSLRP can help.

**SD STATE LOAN REPAYMENT PROGRAM**

The South Dakota State Loan Repayment Program (SD SLRP) is for primary care, mental health, and dental health providers practicing in rural and urban Health Professional Shortage Areas in South Dakota. The purpose of the SD SLRP is to improve access to care by assisting underserved communities with recruitment and retention of healthcare professionals.

## CURRENT CYCLE

Applications accepted beginning October 2024, and will be reviewed and approved on a first-come, first-served basis.

## ELIGIBLE LICENSED HEALTH PROFESSIONALS

- Primary Care Physicians (MD or DO)
- Dentists
- Dental Hygienists
- Certified Nurse Midwives
- Nurse Practitioners
- Physician Assistants
- Health Service Psychologists
- Licensed Clinical Social Workers
- Licensed Professional Counselors
- Psychiatric Nurse Specialists
- Marriage & Family Therapists
- Registered Nurses
- Pharmacists
- Alcohol and Substance Abuse Counselors

## MINIMUM SERVICE OBLIGATION

**2 years** (note: service credit begins when the contract period starts)

## ANNUAL REPAYMENT AMOUNT

The SD SLRP provides funds for repayment of qualifying educational loans of **up to \$30,000 annually** for full-time dental, mental health, and primary care providers, and up to \$15,000 annually for half-time providers. In return for the loan repayment award, participants must complete a two-year service obligation in eligible practice sites located in federally designated Health Professional Shortage Areas (HPSAs).

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