

HEALTH PROFESSIONS EDUCATION FOUNDATION

Supporting Health Professionals Who Provide Care To California's Underserved Communities: Programs for Aspiring and Current Health Professionals

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Who we are

The Health Professions Education Foundation (HPEF) is a state non-profit established in 1987. Since 1987, HPEF has awarded more than 14,721 scholarships and loan repayments totaling more than \$169.7 million to California health professionals serving in all 58 counties in areas of unmet need.

Our Mission

HPEF aims to improve healthcare in underserved areas of California by providing scholarships and loan repayments to those who are dedicated to providing direct patient care in those areas.



A look at our programs

HPEF offers 12 scholarship and loan repayment programs to students and health professionals who agree to provide direct patient care for one to three years in California's underserved communities.

Scholarship Programs

Allied Healthcare Scholarship Program

Vocational Nurse Scholarship Program

Licensed Vocational Nurse to Associate Degree Nursing Scholarship Program

Associate Degree Nursing Scholarship Program

Bachelor of Science Nursing Scholarship Program

Advanced Practice Healthcare Scholarship Program

Loan Repayment Programs

Allied Healthcare Loan Repayment Program

Licensed Vocational Nurse Loan Repayment Program

Bachelor of Science Nursing Loan Repayment Program

Advanced Practice Healthcare Loan Repayment Program

Licensed Mental Health Services Provider Education Program

Steven M. Thompson Physician Corps Loan Repayment Program



A Closer Look at Our Scholarship Programs for Nursing

- Licensed Vocational Nurse to Associate Degree Nursing Scholarship Program
- Associate Degree Nursing Scholarship Program
- Bachelor of Science Nursing Scholarship Program
- Advanced Practice Healthcare Scholarship Program*

2018 – 2019 Application Cycle: January 2 – February 26, 2019



*No application cycle for 2018-2019

Licensed Vocational Nurse to Associate Degree Nursing Scholarship Program (LVN to ADN)

PURPOSE

- Increase the number of registered nurses practicing direct patient care in medically underserved areas of California
- Awarded up to \$8,000

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- Currently accepted or enrolled in an Associate Degree Nursing program in California
- Currently have an LVN license from the California Board of Vocational Nursing and Psychiatric Technicians
- Have a GPA of 2.5 or higher
- Commit to a 12 month service obligation providing direct patient care in a medically underserved area of California
- Free from any other service obligation

Associate Degree Nursing Scholarship Program (ADNSP)

PURPOSE

- Increase the number of registered nurses practicing direct patient care in medically underserved areas of California
- Awarded up to \$8,000

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- Currently accepted or enrolled in an Associate Degree Nursing program in California
- Have a GPA of 2.5 or higher
- Commit to a service obligation providing direct patient care in a medically underserved area of California for 12 months
- Free from any other service obligation

Bachelor of Science Nursing Scholarship Program (BSNSP)

PURPOSE

- Increase the number of registered nurses practicing direct patient care in medically underserved areas of California
- Awarded up to \$10,000

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- Currently accepted or enrolled in a BSN program in California
- Have a GPA of 2.5 or higher
- Commit to a service obligation providing direct patient care in a medically underserved area of California for 12 months
- Free from any other service obligation

Advanced Practice Healthcare Scholarship Program (APHSP)

NO APPLICATION CYCLE FOR 2018-2019

PURPOSE

- Increase the number of advanced practice healthcare professionals practicing direct patient care in medically underserved areas of California
- Awarded up to \$25,000 for one year of service
- Funded solely through grants and donations

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- Be enrolled in 6 units or more, and have a GPA of 2.5 or higher
- Commit to a service obligation providing direct patient care in a medically underserved area of California for 12 months
- Free from any other service obligation
- Currently accepted or enrolled in the following California Board or Committee approved programs:
 - Certified Nurse Midwives
 - Clinical Nurse Specialists
 - Dentist
 - Nurse Practitioners
 - Occupational Therapists
 - Pharmacists
 - Physical Therapists
 - Physician Assistants
 - Speech Therapists

A Closer Look at Our Loan Repayment Programs

- Allied Healthcare Loan Repayment Program
- Bachelor of Science Nursing Loan Repayment Program
- Advanced Practice Healthcare Loan Repayment Program*
- Licensed Mental Health Services Provider Education Program

2018 – 2019 Application Cycle: August 1 – October 9, 2018

- Steven M. Thompson Physician Corps Loan Repayment Program

2018-2019 Application Cycle: December 3, 2018 – February 27, 2019



*No application cycle for 2018-2019

Allied Healthcare Loan Repayment Program (AHLRP)

PURPOSE

- Increase the number of allied healthcare professionals practicing direct patient care in medically underserved areas of California
- Awarded up to \$16,000
- Funded by the County Medical Services Program (CMSP)

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- Commit to a service obligation providing direct patient care at one of the CMSP qualified and contracted facilities or clinics in any of the 35 CMSP designated counties for 12 months
- Be in good standing with respective licensure, board or certification
- Provide direct patient care of 32 hours or more a week
- Have outstanding educational debt from a lending institution
- Free from any other service obligation

Allied Healthcare Loan Repayment Program (AHLRP)

Professions Include:

- Anesthesia Technician
- Anesthesiologist Assistant
- Audiologist
- Auto-Transfusionist
- Cardiovascular Technologist
- Clinical Laboratory Scientist
- Community Health Worker
- Dental Hygienist
- Diagnostic Sonographer/Radiographer (including mammographer, sonographer, etc.)
- Dietician/Nutritionist
- Electrocardiogram Technician
- Emergency Medical Technician
- Medical Assistant
- Medical Interpreter
- Medical Laboratory Scientist
- Neurophysiologist
- Occupational Therapy Assistant
- Orthoptist/Prosthetist
- Paramedic
- Perfusionist
- Phlebotomist
- Podiatrist
- Radiotherapist/Radiation Therapist/Medical Dosimetrist
- Respiratory Therapist
- Surgical Technologist

Bachelor of Science Nursing Loan Repayment Program (BSNLRP)

PURPOSE

- Increase the number of Registered Nurses and encourage Registered Nurses to practice direct patient care in medically underserved areas of California
- Awarded up to \$10,000 as many as 4 times

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- Currently licensed as a Registered Nurse in CA and have a BSN degree
- Commit to a service obligation providing direct patient care in a medically underserved area of California for 12 months
- Provide direct patient care of 32 hours or more a week
- Have educational debt from a lending institution
- Free from any other service obligation

Registered Nurse Education Fund

Ten dollars of every Registered Nurse Licensure Renewal fee is transferred to HPEF to fund the ADN Scholarship, BSN Scholarship and BSN Loan Repayment Programs.

In 2017 – 2018, HPEF Awarded

Bachelor of Science Nursing Loan Repayment Program

131 Awardees

\$1,271,926

In 2016 – 2017, HPEF Awarded

Associate Degree Nursing Scholarship Program

6 Awardees

\$38,840

Bachelor of Science Nursing Scholarship Program

8 Awardees

\$99,650

Bachelor of Science Nursing Loan Repayment Program

92 Awardees

\$765,080



Advanced Practice Healthcare Loan Repayment Program (APHLRP)

NO APPLICATION CYCLE FOR 2018-2019

PURPOSE

- Increase the number of advanced practice healthcare professionals practicing direct patient care in medically underserved areas of California
- Awarded up to \$25,000 for up to two years of service
- Funded solely through grants and donations

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- Commit to a service obligation providing direct patient care for 32+ hours a week, in a medically underserved area of California for up to 2 years
- Free from any other service obligation
- Currently licensed, in good standing, and practicing in one of the following professions:
 - Certified Nurse Midwives
 - Clinical Nurse Specialists
 - Dentist
 - Nurse Practitioners
 - Occupational Therapists
 - Pharmacists
 - Physical Therapists
 - Physician Assistants
 - Speech Therapists



Licensed Mental Health Services Provider Education Program (LMH)

PURPOSE

- Increase the number of mental health professionals and encourage mental health professionals to practice direct client care in medically underserved areas of California
- Awarded up to \$15,000 as many as 3 times

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- Commit to a service obligation providing direct client care in a medically underserved area of California for no less than 12 months
- Provide direct client care of 32 hours or more a week
- Have educational debt from a lending institution
- Free from any other service obligation

ELIGIBLE PROFESSIONS

- Registered or Licensed Psychologists
- Postdoctoral Psychological Assistants
- Postdoctoral Psychological Trainees
- Registered or Licensed Marriage and Family Therapists
- Registered or Licensed Clinical Social Workers
- Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor
- Associated Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor

The Mental Health Practitioner Education Fund

Ten dollars of every Psychologist, Marriage and Family Therapist, and License Clinical Social Worker Licensure Renewal fee is transferred to HPEF to fund the Licensed Mental Health Services Provider Education Program.

In 2017 – 2018, HPEF Awarded

60 Awards \$747,832.00

In 2016 – 2017, HPEF Awarded

35 Awards \$422,090.58

Steven M. Thompson Physician Corps Loan Repayment Program (STLRP)

PURPOSE:

- To increase the number of culturally and linguistically competent physicians who are practicing in medically underserved areas of California

FUNDED BY:

- \$25 fee with each renewed license annually from the Medical Board of California and Osteopathic Medical Board of California.
- \$1 million from the Managed Care Administrative Fines and Penalty Fund annually
- Approximately \$22 million grant from The California Endowment (2013-2017)

AWARD AMOUNT:

- Up to \$105,000 in exchange for three years of service
 - ✓ 65 percent of funds must be given to primary care doctors
 - ✓ 15 percent of funds must be directed to geriatric physicians
 - ✓ No more than 20 percent may be directed to other specialties

Steven M. Thompson Physician Corps Loan Repayment Program (STLRP)

Who Can Apply:

Any doctor with an active M.D. or D.O. license

Both primary care and specialty care are eligible

Hour Requirements:

Must be working a minimum of 40 hours a week with 32 hours of direct patient care

OB/GYN physicians may work a minimum of 40 hours a week with 21 hours of direct patient care

Educational Debt:

Applicants must have outstanding educational loan debt

Steven M. Thompson Physician Corps Loan Repayment Program (STLRP)

Certification of Practice Setting:

- Number of hours per week at worksite
- Number of direct patient care hours
- Speaks Medi-Cal threshold language
- Worksite must be either:
 - Community clinic
 - Clinic owned or operated by the County or
 - Clinic owned or operated by a hospital that maintains a contract with County government
 - Worksite must serve 50% or more Medi-Cal patients

Certification of Practice Setting form requires a signature from applicant's supervisor or administrative officer

STLRP FY 2016-17 Awardees



Geriatrics

Imperial	1
Kern	1
Lake	1
Los Angeles	2
Nevada	1
San Bernardino	1

Primary Care

Alameda	1
Calaveras	1
Contra Costa	5
Del Norte	1
Fresno	7
Humboldt	2
Inyo	1
Kern	2
Los Angeles	15
Madera	1
Mendocino	1
Mono	1
Monterey	2
Orange	4
Riverside	2
Sacramento	2
San Bernardino	4
San Diego	5
San Francisco	4
San Joaquin	1
Santa Barbara	1
Santa Clara	1
Shasta	2
Solano	1
Tulare	1
Tuolumne	2
Ventura	4

Other Specialty

Alameda	1
Imperial	1
Inyo	1
Kern	1
Los Angeles	3
Nevada	1
San Mateo	1
Santa Barbara	1

Total Awardees: 91

★ UC Campuses

What is a Qualified Facility?

- Medically Underserved Area (MUA)
- Medically Underserved Populations (MUP)
- Primary Care Shortage Areas (PCSA)
- Health Professional Shortage Area Primary Care (HPSA-PC)
- Federally Qualified Healthcare Centers (FQHC)
- County Facilities, Veterans Facilities, Correctional Facilities & Indian Health Centers
- For RN Awardees Only - Registered Nurse Shortage Area (RNSA)

How to Determine if a Facility Qualifies

Medically Underserved Areas

Location eligibility search

Choose a program in the dropdown list. Enter an address into the search bar below to determine whether the worksite falls in a qualifying shortage area. If the worksite in question does not show as qualifying in the search bar, but is a veterans, county or state facility and/or federally qualified health center or Indian health center, it may also qualify. If this is the case, please contact a member of our [program staff](#) to verify.

Select Application

Enter Street Address

Search

<https://www.oshpd.ca.gov/HPEF/MUAs.html>

How to Apply

- Applications are open annually, for a two month period:
 - Allied Healthcare, Nursing and LMH Loan Repayment Programs: August 1, 2018 – October 9, 2018
 - STLRP: December 3, 2018 – February 27, 2019
 - Nursing Scholarship Programs: January 2 – February 26, 2019
- Applications are done online. Apply using the links below:
 - Nursing Loan Repayment Programs and STLRP
<https://eapp.oshpd.ca.gov/funding/>
 - Allied Healthcare and LMH Loan Repayment Programs, and Nursing Scholarship Programs
<https://calreach.oshpd.ca.gov>
- Awards can be received more than once!
- Please check our website for more information: www.healthprofessions.ca.gov



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