



# National Health Service Corps Substance Use Disorder Workforce Loan Repayment Program



<b>Program Description</b>	<p>The National Health Service Corps (NHSC) Substance Use Disorder Workforce Loan Repayment Program (SUD Workforce LRP) expands access to evidence-based substance use disorder treatment in underserved, high-need communities across the country. The program offers health care clinicians the opportunity to have their qualifying student loans repaid in exchange for serving at an NHSC-approved SUD site.</p>	
<b>Award Amounts</b>	<b>Service Commitment</b>	<b>Award</b>
	3 years Full-Time	Up to \$75,000
<b>Service Commitments</b>	<b>Full-Time Option:</b> 3 years of full-time service (minimum 40 hours/week, 45 weeks/year).	
	<b>Half-Time Option:</b> 3 years of half-time service (minimum 20 hours/week, 45 weeks/year)*.	
<b>Eligible Disciplines</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Physicians</li> <li>• Nurse practitioners</li> <li>• Certified nurse midwives</li> <li>• Physician assistants</li> <li>• Behavioral health professionals</li> <li>• Substance use disorder counselors</li> <li>• Registered nurses</li> <li>• Pharmacists</li> </ul>	
<b>Application Requirements and Priority Information</b>	<p>Applicants must be a U.S. citizen (U.S. born or naturalized) or U.S. national</p> <p><b>Clinicians receive priority if they:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Have a DATA 2000 waiver to provide medication-assisted treatment;</li> <li>• Serve in an opioid treatment program; <i>or</i></li> <li>• Are licensed or certified in substance use disorder interventions, such as master’s-level substance use disorder counselors.</li> </ul>	

\* Half-time practice is not available to those serving under the Private Practice Option (PPO). Learn more in the SUD Workforce LRP Application Program and Guidance at [nhsc.hrsa.gov/sud-lrp](https://nhsc.hrsa.gov/sud-lrp).



<b>Where Members Serve</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NHSC SUD Workforce LRP applicants must work at an NHSC-approved SUD site located in a Health Professional Shortage Area (HPSA).</li> <li>• An NHSC-approved SUD site must meet the requirements in the <a href="#">NHSC Site Agreement</a> and <a href="#">NHSC Site Reference Guide</a>.</li> <li>• <b>Eligible sites can include:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ SAMHSA-certified outpatient treatment programs (OTPs)</li> <li>○ Office-based opioid treatment facilities (OBOTs)</li> <li>○ Non-opioid substance use disorder treatment facilities (SUD treatment facilities)</li> <li>○ Federally Qualified Health Care Centers (FQHCs)</li> <li>○ Rural Health Clinics (RHCs)</li> <li>○ American Indian Health facilities and Indian Health Service (IHS) hospitals</li> <li>○ FQHC Look-Alikes</li> <li>○ State or federal correctional facilities</li> <li>○ Critical Access Hospitals</li> <li>○ Community health centers</li> <li>○ State or local health departments</li> <li>○ Community outpatient facilities</li> <li>○ Private practices</li> <li>○ School-based clinics</li> <li>○ Mobile units and free clinics</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Clinicians qualify for the NHSC SUD Workforce LRP:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ If they work at a SUD site with a HPSA score that would ordinarily be too low to qualify for NHSC funding.</li> <li>○ Using either the mental health or primary care HPSA score of their NHSC-approved SUD site.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Tax Liability</b>	Not taxable
<b>Web Site</b>	<a href="http://nhsc.hrsa.gov/sud-lrp">nhsc.hrsa.gov/sud-lrp</a>

***NHSC’s mission is to build healthy communities by supporting qualified medical, dental, mental and behavioral health care providers working in areas of the United States with limited access to care.***

