Healthcare Occupations Student Loan Repayment Tobacco Region Revitalization Commission

The Virginia Tobacco Region Revitalization Commission (TRRC) has approved \$1,051,000 to support the Virginia State Loan Repayment Program (VA-SLRP) managed by the Virginia Department of Health. In addition, the 2023 SLRP program has available \$822,000 in Federal funds and \$1.5 million in State funds to support loan incentive payments throughout Virginia.

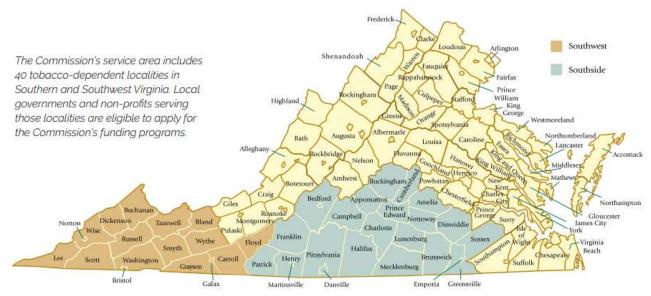
The goal of VA-SLRP program is to attract health care professionals to underserved areas to improve and increase access to quality health care practitioners.

Summary of TRRC supported VDH VA-SLRP:

- Education loan repayment of up to \$140,000 over four years. Yearly VDH awards range from \$20,000 \$40,000 for years 1 and 2, and less in years 3 and 4. TRRC funds are limited to \$40,000.
- Eligible occupations include:

<u>Primary Care:</u>		<u>Mental Health</u>		<u>Dental Health</u>	
- Nurse N	Aidwives	-	Alcohol & Abuse Counselors	-	Dentists
- Nurse P	Practitioners	-	Health Service Psychologists	-	Registered Dental Hygienists
- Pharma	ncists	-	Licensed Clinical Social Workers		
- Physicia	ans	-	Licensed Professional Counselors		
- Physicia	ans Assistants	-	Marriage & Family Therapists		
-		-	Mental Health Counselors		
		-	Psychiatric Nurse Specialists		

• Participants must work at least two years at an eligible practice site in a federally designated Health Professional Shortage Area (HPSA) within the Tobacco Region's Southern and Southwest areas.



• Applications are accepted by VDH from January 1 – March 31. Awards in April 2023.

The following site types are eligible to be approved as practice sites for VA-SLRP participants:

1. Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHCs)

- Community Health Centers (CHCs)
- Migrant Health Centers
- Homeless Programs
- Public Housing Programs

2. FQHC Look-A-Likes

3. Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services Certified Rural Health Clinics (RHCs)

4. Other Health Facilities

- Community Outpatient Facilities
- Community Mental Health Facilities
- State and County Health Department Clinics
- Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Health Service Corps (IHSC)
- Free Clinics
- Mobile Units
- School-based Programs
- Critical Access Hospitals (CAHs) affiliated with a qualified outpatient clinic
- Long-term Care Facilities
- State Mental Health Facilities

5. Indian Health Service Facilities, Tribally Operated 638 Health Programs, and Urban Indian Health Programs (ITU)

- Federal Indian Health Service (IHS) Clinical Practice Sites
- Tribal/638 Health Clinics
- Urban Indian Health Program

6. Correctional or Detention Facilities

- Federal Prisons
- State Prisons

7. Private Practices (Solo or Group)

- Shall be a public or private non-profit entity

For more information visit the VDH Virginia State Loan Repayment Program website: <u>http://www.vdh.virginia.gov/health-equity/virginia-loan-repayment-programs-2/</u>

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