

Tennessee State Loan Repayment Program (TSLRP)

Key Changes for the Fall 2026 Application Cycle

TSLRP Overview

Provides educational loan repayment to qualified primary care practitioners who commit to a two-year service term at eligible primary care sites located in federally designated Health Professional Shortage Areas (HPSAs).

Participant Eligibility

Applicants must:

- Be a U.S. citizen or national with a valid Tennessee license.
- Commit to a minimum two-year service agreement.
- Practice full-time (40 hours/week) or part-time (20 hours/week) at an eligible primary care site in a federally designated HPSA.
- Accept Medicare, Medicaid, and CoverKids and serve all patients regardless of ability to pay.

Check HPSA eligibility: data.hrsa.gov.

Qualified Disciplines

Medical and Dental

Physician (MD/DO), Dentist (DDS/DMD), Dental Hygienist (RDH), Nurse Practitioner (NP), Physician Assistant (PA), Certified Nurse Midwife (CNM), Registered Nurse (RN)

Behavioral Health and Pharmacy

Pharmacist (Pharm.D.), Psychiatrist (MD/DO), Health Services Psychologist (HSP), Professional Counselor (LPC), Clinical Social Worker (LCSW), Marriage and Family Therapist (MFT)

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