

**STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES**

**New Hampshire State Loan Repayment Program (SLRP)
2022 Annual Report**

Program Summary

The Division of Public Health Services (DPHS), Rural Health & Primary Care Section (RHPC) administers the New Hampshire State Loan Repayment Program (SLRP). The program provides funds for educational loan repayment to health care professionals working in areas of the state designated as medically underserved. Medically underserved areas include Health Professional Shortage Areas (HPSAs), Mental Health Professional Shortage Areas (MHPSAs), Dental Health Professional Shortage Areas (DHPSAs), Medically Underserved Areas/Populations (MUA/Ps), and Governor's Exceptional Medically Underserved Populations (E-MUP). These designations indicate that a shortage of primary health care providers exists, posing a barrier to access primary health care services for the residents of these areas.

Organizations/Facilities funded by programs in the Department of Health and Human Services are also considered eligible sites. Health care providers participating in the SLRP agree to provide medical services to all patients regardless of their ability to pay. The health care provider and the practice site must offer a sliding-fee schedule based on current federal poverty guidelines, accept Medicaid, Medicare, and provide free care when medically necessary. The SLRP requests non-State matching funds for the loan repayment contract but does not require them. When there is adequate funding, SLRP participants are offered the opportunity to continue their service for loan repayment.

More information on repayment amounts, eligibility and provider types can be found on the [State Loan Repayment Program webpage](#).

Provider Licensure Acronyms:

MD/DO – Physician; Medical Doctor, Doctor of Osteopathy

DMD/DDS – Dentist; Doctor of Dental Medicine, Doctor of Dental Surgery

PA – Physician Assistant

NP – Nurse Practitioner

Psych NP - Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner

PsyD – Doctor of Psychology

LCMHC – Licensed Clinical Mental Health Counselor

LICSW – Licensed Independent Clinical Social Worker

MFT – Licensed Marriage & Family Therapist

MLADC/LADC – Licensed Alcohol & Drug Counselor (Masters and Bachelors level)

RDH – Registered Dental Hygienist

BHUS – Behavioral Health professional Under Supervision for licensure



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Program Participation (July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022)

Providers currently serving under the SLRP - 89

New contracts – 75

Continuation contracts - 14

Provider Types:

Primary Medical Care - 24

MD/DO – 7

APRN – 12

PA – 3

RN - 2

Behavioral Health - 61

Psych NP – 11

Psychologist – 1

LICSW – 9

LCMHC – 19

MFT – 2

MLADC – 5

LADC – 2

Dual Licensure LICSW/MLADC – 3

Behavioral Health under Supervision for licensure (BHUS) - 9

Oral Health - 4

DMD – 1

RDH - 2

PPD-DMD - 1

Locations:

Ammonoosuc Community Health Services – 1 Psych NP

Amoskeag Health Center – 1 DO, 1 MLADC

Associates in Medicine (Valley Regional Hospital) – 1 APRN

Center for New Beginnings – 1 LCMHC

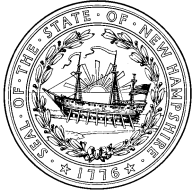
Concord Hospital Internal Medicine - Laconia – 1 APRN

Concord Hospital Primary Care - Belmont – 1 APRN

Concord Hospital Primary Care - Franklin – 1 PA

Conway Family Dental Care – 1 PPD-DMD

Coos County Family Health Services – 1 MD, 1 RDH, 1 RN



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Dental Health Works of Cheshire County – 1 RDH
Doorway at Concord Hospital - Franklin – 1 MLADC
Doorway at Wentworth-Douglass – 1 LICSW/MLADC
Families in Transition – 2 LADC, 1 LICSW/MLADC
Greater Nashua Mental Health Center – 1 LCMHC, 1 LICSW, 1 BHUS
Greater Seacoast Community Health – 1 LICSW/MLADC
Headrest – 1 MLADC
HealthFirst Family Care Center – 1 LICSW, 1 RN, 1 APRN
Jaffrey Family Medicine (Monadnock Community Hospital) – 1 APRN
Lakes Region Mental Health Center – 4 Psych NPs, 1 LICSW, 3 BHUS
Lamprey Healthcare – 1 MD, 3 APRN
Mental Health Center of Greater Manchester – 3 Psych NP, 4 LCMHC, 1 LICSW, 1 MLADC, 3 BHUS
Mid-State Health Center – 1 DMD
Monadnock Family Services – 1 LICSW, 1 LCMHC, 1 MLADC
Moultonborough Family Medicine (Huggins Hospital) – 1 APRN
Newport Health Center – 1 LICSW
North Country Primary Care (Littleton Regional Hospital) – 1 DO, 1 APRN
Northern Human Services – 1 LICSW, 2 LCHMC
Plymouth Pediatric and Adolescent Medicine (Spere Memorial Hospital) – 2 DO, 1 APRN
Riverbend Community Mental Health Center – 1 Psychologist, 2 Psych NP, 1 MFT, 1 LICSW, 8 LCMHC
Saco River Medical Group – 1 APRN, 1 PA
Seacoast Mental Health Center – 1 Psych NP, 1 MFT, 1 LCMHC, 2 BHUS
Tamworth and Ossipee Family Medicine (Huggins Hospital) – 1 PA
West Central Behavioral Health – 1 LCMHC, 2 LICSW
Wolfeboro Family Medicine (Huggins Hospital) – 1 DO

Rural Status:

Rural – 46

Non-Rural – 43

Program Modifications

On July 1, 2021, the SLRP added primary care Registered Nurses (RNs) at eligible sites and Behavioral Health under Supervision professionals to acquire their license at eligible sites, as eligible provider types. The SLRP-PPD was converted from a pilot cycle to permanent program and it now has a rolling application period. With additional SLRP funding from the American Rescue Plan Act, provided in August 2021, the SLRP added hospitalists at Critical Access Hospitals as another eligible provide type in September 2021.



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Update Statement

Effective July 1, 2022, the SLRP implemented a moratorium on to limit the number of applications per employer. This will be in effect until the American Rescue Plan Act funding has been exhausted. Effective August 1, 2022, the SLRP removed the requirement that Behavioral Health under Supervision professionals have at least 12 months of supervision before applying to the SLRP.

Short-Term Recommendation(s)

None at this time.