About us

Established in 1987, the Health Professions Education Foundation (HPEF) is the state's only non-profit foundation statutorily created to encourage persons from underrepresented communities to become health professionals and increase access to health providers in medically underserved areas. Supported by grants, donations, licensing fees, and special funds, HPEF provides scholarship and loan repayment programs to students and graduates who agree to practice in California's medically underserved communities. Housed in the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development, HPEF's track record of delivering health providers to areas of need has resulted in approximately 10,911 awards totaling more than \$124 million to allied health, nursing, mental health and medical students and recent graduates practicing in 58 of California's 58 counties.

Mission Statement

The Health Professions Education Foundation (HPEF) improves access to healthcare in underserved areas of California by providing scholarship and loan repayment programs to health professional students and graduates who are dedicated to providing direct patient care in those areas. In return for this support, recipients agree to provide direct patient care in a medically underserved area (MUA) of California for a period of one to three years.

Program Name - Profession	s Supported			Award Amount	Service Obligation	Maximum of Awards
		Schola	rship Programs			
Allied Healthcare Scholarship P Community Health Workers/Promotoras Clinical Laboratory Scientists Dental Hygienists Diagnostic Medical Sonographers	rogram (AHSP): Medical Assistants Medical Imaging Technologists Medical Laboratory Technologists Nuclear Medicine Technologists	Occupational Therapist Assistants Pharmacy Technicians Physical Therapy Assistants Radiation Therapy Technologists	Radiologic Technicians Ultrasound Technicians Respiratory Therapists *Other Allied Healthcare Social Workers Surgical Technicians	Up to \$8,000 per award	1 Year	As long as eligibility criteria are met
Vocational Nurse Scholarship P	Up to \$4,000 per award	2 Years	З			
Licensed Vocational Nurse to Associate Degree Nursing (LVN to ADN): Registered Nurses				Up to \$8,000 per award	2 Years	3
Associate Degree Nursing Scho	Up to \$10,000 per award	2 Years	3			
Bachelors of Science Nursing Scholarship Program (BSNSP): Registered Nurses				Up to \$13,000 per award	2 Years	4
Advanced Practice Healthcare S Certified Nurse Midwives Clinical Nurse Specialists Dentists	Scholarship Program (APHS) Nurse Practitioners Occupational Therapists Pharmacists	P): Physical Therapists Physician Assistants Speech Therapists		Up to \$50,000 per award	2 Years	As long as eligibility criteria are met
		Loan Rep	ayment Programs			
Allied Healthcare Loan Repayment Program (AHLRP):				Up to \$8,000 per award	1 Year	As long as

Allied Healthcare Loan Repaym Community Health Workers/Promotoras Clinical Laboratory Scientists Dental Hygienists Diagnostik Medical Sonographers Medical Assistants	AT THE REAL PROPERTY AND A REAL PROPERTY AND A REAL PROPERTY.	Physical Therapy Assistants Radiation Therapy Technologis Radiologic Technicians Respiratory Therapists Surgical Technicians	Ultrasound Technicians *Other Allied Healthcare	Up to ≸8,000 per award	1 Year	As long as eligibility criteria are met
Licensed Vocational Nurse Loan	n Repayment Program (LVNL)	Up to \$6,000 per award	2 Years	З		
Bachelors of Science Nursing Loan Repayment Program (BSNLRP): Registered Nurses				Up to \$8,000 1st Award Up to \$11,000 2nd Award	2 Years for each award	2
Advanced Practice Healthcare I Certified Nurse Midwives Clinical Nurse Specialists Dentists	oan Repayment Program (AF Nurse Practitioners Occupational Therapists Pharmacists	Up to \$50,000 per award	2 Years	As long as eligibility criteria are met		
Licensed Mental Health Services Provider Education Program (LMHSPEP): Postdoctoral Psychological Assistants/Trainees Registered or Licensed Marriage and Family Therapists Registered or Licensed Clinical Social Workers Registered or Licensed Psychologists				Up to \$15,000 per award	2 Years	2
Mental Health Loan Assumption Program (MHLAP) Eligible professions include, but are not limited to				Up to \$10,000 per award	1 Year	6
Licensed Professional Clinical Counselors Managerial and/or fiscal staff Marriage and Family Therapists/Interns Peer Support Specialists	Postdoctoral Psycho	logical Assistants/Trainees lealth Nurse Practitioners	Psychologists Registered Nurses Social Workers/Interns Other			
Steven M. Thompson Physician Corps Loan Repayment Program (STLRP): Allopathic or Osteopathic Physicians				Up to \$105,000 per award	3 Years	2

Summary Statistics Fiscal Year 2014 - 2015

Total Applications Awarded 1,590 Total Applications Received 3,281

Total Amount (\$) Awarded \$24,416,385

Total Scholarships Awarded

178 Total Loan Repayments Awarded 1,412 58 out of 58 California Counties Represented

Tracie Hall-Burks, LCSW Mental Health Loan Assumption Program Awardee



"This opportunity, as an awardee, has allowed me to see the light at the end of the tunnel. As a 2004 Masters of Social Work graduate I have officially been paying student loans for 10 years. In the mental health field there is such a huge need, yet service providers are limited due to the amount of work and the low pay range. In other words, it's not a field you go into if you plan on being rich! This makes it difficult to justify the thousands of dollars spent in obtaining the education needed to do the work we so dearly love. Thank you for this opportunity to help lighten the financial load as I continue to remain dedicated to servicing the under served populations, saving and changing lives daily. This award allows me to focus more on my own family without having to face financial stress. "



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The Health Professions Education Foundation can help you meet your career goals so you can focus on caring for California's underserved. Health professionals serving the mental health community may benefit from two loan repayment programs:

Licensed Mental Health Services Provider Education Program, which may award up to \$15,000

Mental Health Loan Assumption Program,

which may award up to \$10,000

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