



The Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA)'s **Bureau of Health Workforce** (BHW) improves the health of underserved and vulnerable populations by strengthening the health workforce and connecting skilled professionals to communities in need.

Our work is driven by our priorities: transforming the health care workforce through sustained support of clinicians working in underserved areas; increasing access to behavioral health services, including substance use disorder treatment; and leveraging health care workforce data to inform program and policy decisions.

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Recruit and Retain Primary Healthcare Providers:

Scholarship and Loan Repayment

- **National Health Service Corps:** [Scholarship](#) and [Loan Repayment](#)
Awards scholarships and loan repayment to primary care medical, dental, and mental and behavioral health providers committed to working in areas with limited access to care.
- **Nurse Corps:** [Scholarship](#) and [Loan Repayment](#)
Awards scholarships and loan repayment to nurses, nursing students, and nurse faculty in exchange for service at a facility with a critical shortage of nurses.
- [School-Based Loans and Scholarships](#)
Funds schools through scholarship and loan repayment programs to help students pursue degrees in health professions and deliver care in underserved communities.

Strengthen the Health Workforce:

Training, Research, and Management

[Health Professions Training Grants](#)

- Advances the education and training of the 21st century health workforce.
- Supports programs to increase diversity, encourage clinicians to practice in underserved areas, and foster interprofessional training and practice.

[National Center for Health Workforce Analysis \(NCHWA\)](#)

- Examines issues impacting supply, demand, distribution, and education of the nation's health workforce.
- Provides information so policymakers can make decisions about the health workforce and delivery of care.

[National Practitioner Data Bank](#)

- Shares information about past adverse actions by providers and suppliers with authorized healthcare entities.
- In doing so, improves healthcare quality, protects the public, and reduces fraud and abuse.

[Shortage Designation](#)

- Designates Health Professional Shortage Areas (HPSAs) and Medically Underserved Areas/Populations (MUA/Ps), which determine eligibility for federal programs like the Health Center and Rural Health Clinic Programs.