



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES

Health Resources and Services
Administration

Rockville, MD 20857
Bureau of Health Workforce

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Dear Tribal Leader:

I am pleased to share that the 2023 application cycle for the Health Resources and Services Administration's (HRSA's) [National Health Service Corps Loan Repayment Program \(NHSC LRP\)](#) will soon open for application submission. HRSA expects that an additional \$15 million from our annual appropriations of NHSC award funds will once again be dedicated to clinicians serving at Indian Health Service facilities, Tribally-Operated 638 Health Programs, and Urban Indian Health Programs (ITUs).

- For the past three years since HRSA has been able to set aside \$15 million each year for ITUs. Every eligible applicant serving at an ITU has received an NHSC award.
- More than 1,920 NHSC clinicians are currently working at tribal sites across the country. In fiscal year 2022, HRSA made 444 awards to clinicians at 260 tribal health centers.
- HRSA's NHSC program offers licensed primary care providers in eligible disciplines the opportunity to receive loan repayment ranging from \$50,000 to \$100,000.
- In exchange, providers commit to serve full- or half-time at an NHSC-approved site in a designated Health Professional Shortage Area for at least two years.
- The application cycle is for three NHSC loan repayment programs: the [National Health Service Corps Loan Repayment Program](#), the [Substance Use Disorder Workforce Loan Repayment Program](#), and the [Rural Community Loan Repayment Program](#).

I ask that you share this information with the [NHSC-approved health care facilities](#) in your communities. Additionally, these facilities can [sign up](#) for emails to be notified when the application cycle opens.

If you have questions, please contact your [HRSA regional points-of-contact](#). Thank you in advance for your consideration of this program.

Sincerely,

/s/

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