

# NURSE Corps Loan Repayment Program

<b>Program Description</b>	Loan repayment assistance is available to registered nurses and advanced practice registered nurses, such as nurse practitioners, working in a public or private nonprofit Critical Shortage Facility OR nurse faculty employed by an accredited school of nursing. A Critical Shortage Facility is a health care facility located in, designated as, or serving a primary medical care or mental health Health Professional Shortage Area (HPSA).
<b>Financial Assistance</b>	NURSE Corps Loan Repayment Program participants receive 60 percent of their total outstanding qualifying educational loan balance incurred while pursuing an education in nursing in exchange for a 2-year service commitment. Qualifying participants may receive an additional 25 percent of their original loan balance for a third year of service.
<b>Service Commitment</b>	2-year minimum with an optional third year.
<b>Eligibility Requirements</b>	To be eligible for loan repayment, all applicants must: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Be a U.S. citizen, U.S. national, or lawful permanent resident;</li> <li>• Have a current license to practice as a registered nurse and received a diploma, associate's, bachelor's, master's, or doctoral degree in nursing;</li> <li>• Be employed full time (at least 32 hours per week) at a public or private nonprofit Critical Shortage Facility OR be employed full time at an accredited, public or private nonprofit school of nursing;</li> <li>• Have completed the education program for which the loan applies.</li> </ul>
<b>Where Participants Serve</b>	<p><b>Nurse Faculty:</b> Accredited, public or private nonprofit school of nursing</p> <p><b>Registered Nurses and Advanced Practice Registered Nurses:</b> Public or private nonprofit Critical Shortage Facility:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Critical Access Hospital</li> <li>• Disproportionate Share Hospital</li> <li>• Public Hospital</li> <li>• Federally Qualified Health Center</li> <li>• Indian Health Service Health Center</li> <li>• Native Hawaiian Health Center</li> <li>• Rural Health Clinic</li> <li>• Skilled Nursing Facility</li> <li>• State or Local Public Health or Human Services Department</li> <li>• Ambulatory Surgical Center</li> <li>• Home Health Agency</li> <li>• Hospice Program</li> <li>• Non-Disproportionate Share Hospital</li> <li>• Nursing Home</li> </ul> <p>The health care facilities listed above are Critical Shortage Facilities only if they are located in, designated as, or serving a primary medical care or mental health HPSA.</p>
<b>Funding Preference</b>	<p><b>Nurse Faculty:</b> Preference will be given to faculty with the greatest financial need and to faculty working at schools of nursing with at least 50 percent enrollment of students from a disadvantaged background.</p> <p><b>Registered Nurses and Advanced Practice Registered Nurses:</b> Preference will be given to nurses based on the greatest financial need, the type of facility, and the mental health or primary care Health Professional Shortage Area (HPSA) designation.</p>
<b>Tax Liability</b>	The full loan repayment award is taxable.
<b>Web Site</b>	<a href="http://www.hrsa.gov/loanscholarships/repayment/nursing">www.hrsa.gov/loanscholarships/repayment/nursing</a>

