Starting September 1, 2016, the DC Department of Health (DOH) will be accepting applications for the Health Professional Loan Repayment Program (HPLRP), which provides loan repayment services to eligible providers practicing in HPLRP-certified Service Obligation Sites (SOS) in the District. DOH will be accepting new provider applications between September 1st – October 30th, 2016.

The program will issue up to four award contracts to primary care and/or dental health providers, including: physicians, registered nurses, advanced practice nurses, physician assistants, dentists, and dental hygienists. The contracts will cover two years of participation and contract amounts will be equivalent to 44 percent of a provider’s total eligible debt - up to a maximum of $62,980 for physicians and dentists and $34,638 for all other eligible primary care and dental providers. The Program will not be issuing awards to mental health providers during this application cycle.

Providers interested in the program must be employed or have an employment contract with a certified Service Obligation Site (SOS) to provide direct patient care for at least 40 hours per week. A site must be an approved SOS for a provider to be eligible for the HPLRP. To become a SOS, a site must be a public or non-profit entity located in a Health Professional Shortage or Medically Underserved Area (HPSA/MUA) and must submit an application to the HPLRP. Applications, including recommendation letters and loan verification information, must be completed and received by DOH by October 30th, 2016.

Anticipated contract start dates for selected applicants is January 2017.

For more information please click here or contact the loan repayment program directly at HPLRP@dc.gov or 202-442-5892.