



GET YOUR LOANS PAID

TEXAS LOAN REPAYMENT PROGRAM FOR MENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS

ABOUT LOAN REPAYMENT PROGRAM

Texas ranks second in the nation for Mental Health Professional Shortage Areas (places where patient access to care is extremely low). The Loan Repayment Program for Mental Health Professionals is designed to encourage qualified providers to practice in the Mental Health Professional Shortage Areas and to provide care to Texans Medicaid program and the Children's Health Insurance Program (CHIP). In 2023, the Texas Coalition for Healthy Minds worked alongside Legislators and provider organizations to pass legislation that expanded the Loan Repayment Program to even more professionals, including every local mental health authority (LMHA) and state hospital across the state.

HOW IT WORKS

Participants agree to provide three years of service in a federally designated Mental Health Professional Shortage Area (MPHSA) and provide direct mental health services to Medicaid or CHIP enrollees. The amount of the award varies by category of provider (from \$10,000 to \$160,000), increases with each year of service, and begins disbursing at the end of the first year.



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WHO'S ELIGIBLE

- Psychiatrists
- Psychologists
- Advanced Practice Psychiatric/MH Nurses
- Licensed Professional Counselors
- Licensed Clinical Social Workers
- Licensed Marriage and Family Therapists
- Licensed Chemical Dependency Counselors
- Licensed Specialists in School Psychology

