

Resources for Michigan Behavioral Health Workforce Members



MDHHS Behavioral Health Loan Repayment Program (BHLRP)

- Focused on incentivizing behavioral health care providers to provide services in underserved areas across the State of Michigan.
- Those selected will be awarded up to \$300,000 in tax-free funds to repay their educational debt over a period of up to ten years of participation.
- Those accepted will enter into two-year agreements which require participants to remain employed full-time at an eligible, nonprofit practice site(s) providing outpatient behavioral health care services.
- BHLRP application cycles will be offered annually.
- For more information, please [visit the BHLRP website](#).

Michigan State Loan Repayment Program (MSLRP)

- Focused on helping employers recruit and retain primary medical, dental, and mental health care providers by providing loan repayment to those entering MSLRP service obligations.
- Participants enter consecutive two-year MSLRP service obligations requiring them to remain employed for a minimum of 40 hours per week for no less than 45 weeks per year at eligible nonprofit practice sites providing primary health care services to ambulatory populations.
- Those selected will be awarded up to \$300,000 in tax-free funds to repay their educational debt over a period of up to ten years.
- MSLRP application cycles will be offered annually.
- For more information, please [visit the MSLRP website](#).

Michigan Opioid Treatment Access Loan Repayment Program (MIOTA)

- Focused on incentivizing health care providers to begin and expand opioid treatment in Michigan.
- The program has a two-year service obligation and is available to medical providers (MD, DO, NP, PA) and substance use disorder (SUD) counselors.
- Those selected will receive loan repayment for beginning or expanding opioid treatment.
- MIOTA application cycles are offered accordingly as funding becomes available.
- For more information, please [visit the MIOTA website](#).

Bachelor of Social Work (BSW) to Master of Social Work (MSW) Program

- Focused on incentivizing social workers with BSWs to earn a MSW degree and continue to provide behavioral health services in the public sector of the State of Michigan.
- \$30,000 individual grants are intended for those who hold a bachelor's degree in social work (BSW) and agree to immediately enter an advanced standing Master of Social Work (MSW) program.
- Service obligations require grantees to commit to a minimum of two years of public sector behavioral health work within Michigan immediately following completion of the advanced standing MSW program.
- Public behavioral health work can include community mental health, substance use disorder programs, crisis intervention, local crisis call centers, mobile crisis care, crisis stabilization, psychiatric emergency services, and rapid postcrisis care, and other areas.

Behavioral Health Professional Recruitment Internship Stipend Program

- Provides stipends to interns who are in process of completing a bachelor or graduate level behavioral health degree program that leads to a behavioral health profession dedicated to serving children.
- The internship must be completed in the Michigan public behavioral health-based system defined as a local prepaid inpatient health plan, community mental health service program or subcontracted entity, Indian Health Service/Tribally Operated Facility or program/Urban Indian Clinic and/or Michigan public school. Interns must be in the process of completing a degree that would lead to one of the following professions: Behavior Analyst, Marriage or Family Therapist, Social Worker, Professional Counselor, or Psychologist.
- Eligible interns may receive a stipend of up to \$15,000.

National Health Service Corps (NHSC)

- Awards scholarships and loan repayment to providers in eligible primary medical care, dental, and mental health disciplines, and help health care facilities to recruit, retain and support clinicians serving in high-need areas.
- MDHHS supports sites interested in becoming NHSC-approved sites.
- For more information, please [visit the NHSC website](#).