

## NEWS RELEASE

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### **Health Care Professional Loan Repayment Program**

BISMARCK, N.D. – The North Dakota State Legislature has provided funds to establish a loan repayment program for Health Care Professionals, including clinical psychologists, licensed addiction counselors, licensed professional counselors, licensed social workers, psychiatric nurse specialists, and registered nurses when practicing in the area of behavioral health. The North Dakota Department of Health (NDDoH) contracts with University of North Dakota School of Medicine & Health Science’s Department of Family & Community Medicine’s Office of Primary Care for the loan administration program.

The loan repayment program was created to increase the number of providers in the disciplines of medicine, behavioral health and physician assistant studies in areas of the state with defined health professional needs.

The application deadline for the behavioral health loan repayment program is Tuesday, March 15. Loan repayment information and applications are available on the Office of Primary Care’s website at <http://www.med.und.edu/family-medicine/workforce.cfm>.

Once received, reviewed and verified, applications will be forwarded to the State Health Council for review at the April or May meeting. Applicants will be notified by the Office of Primary Care of the State Health Council’s decision.

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