



Financial Assistance Opportunities in the Behavioral Health / Mental Health Workforce

Rural Health Opportunities Program (RHOP)	Nebraska Loan Repayment Program	National Health Service Corps (NHSC) State Loan Repayment Program	National Health Services Corps (NHSC) Federal Loan Repayment Program	Community Foundation & Local Scholarships	Profession-specific Association Scholarships
<p>For high school students from rural Nebraska, this scholarship provides full tuition at a Nebraska State College to complete one of a variety of pre-professional healthcare degrees. After completion of a professional degree at University of Nebraska Medical Center, the individual returns to practice in rural Nebraska. Apply in senior year of high school/ the year prior to start of college.</p>	<p>Through the Nebraska Office of Rural Health, this program provides state financial incentive to certain healthcare professionals that agree to practice in a designated Health Professional Shortage Area in Nebraska. Apply up to 18 months before you are fully licensed & practicing in the shortage area.</p>	<p>Through the National Health Service Corps, this program provides federal financial incentive to certain healthcare professionals that agree to practice in a designated Health Professional Shortage Area in Nebraska. Apply up to 18 months before you are fully licensed & practicing in the shortage area.</p>	<p>Through the National Health Service Corps, licensed clinicians in eligible disciplines can receive loan repayment assistance in exchange for at least two years of service at an NHSC-approved site in a designated Health Professional Shortage Area.</p>	<p>Students of all educational levels should check with local and hometown organizations and businesses for scholarship opportunities. Community foundations may have financial supports to assist local residents looking to advance their education.</p>	<p>A variety of career-specific state associations offer financial assistance for career training, continuing education, and attendance to state and national conferences. Examples of professional associations that offer financial assistance are the Nebraska Counseling Association, the Nebraska Health Care Association, the Nebraska Nurses Association, and more!</p>
<p>https://www.unmc.edu/student-services/rse/enrichment/rural-health-enrichment-programs/rhop/index.html</p>	<p>http://dhhs.ne.gov/Pages/Rural-Health-Nebraska-Loan-Repayment-Programs.aspx</p>	<p>https://nhsc.hrsa.gov/loan-repayment/state-loan-repayment-program/index.html</p>	<p>https://nhsc.hrsa.gov/loan-repayment/index.html</p>	<p>https://www.nebcommfound.org/</p>	<p>For assistance on finding profession-specific association scholarships, please contact NNBHN at 402-644-7285.</p>

One application for both state programs at the Nebraska DHHS link