

# Ryan White HIV/AIDS Part C, Part D and Part F Dental Programs Stakeholder Meeting

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Division of Community HIV/AIDS Programs
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## **DCHAP Stakeholder Webinar**

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Vision: Healthy Communities, Healthy People



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# **Meeting Agenda**

- Public Health Updates
- Program Updates
- Recruiting and Retaining Staff: Strategies for Building and Sustaining the HIV Workforce and Strengthening Organizational Capacity





# HRSA's HIV/AIDS Bureau (HRSA HAB) Vision and Mission

#### Vision

Optimal HIV care and treatment for all to end the HIV epidemic in the U.S.

#### **Mission**

Provide leadership and resources to advance HIV care and treatment to improve health outcomes and reduce health disparities for people with HIV and affected communities.





# **HRSA HIV/AIDS Bureau Strategic Priorities**

#### Lead Progress: Foster Innovative Solutions to Drive Improvements



Lead and enhance national HIV care and treatment through evidence-informed interventions, best practices dissemination, data-driven decision making, health workforce development, quality management, policy development, and program implementation.

# Partner for Results: Engage Strategically with Stakeholders to Enhance Outcomes and Achieve Results



Develop and strengthen strategic domestic partnerships internally and externally to improve program design, implementation, and evaluation; data utilization and sharing; communications; policy development; community engagement; and service integration.

#### **Promote Integration:** Integrate HIV Services to Improve Overall Outcomes



Implement an integrated approach to HIV care and treatment in an evolving healthcare environment, with a focus on syndemics and the social determinants of health, by integrating preventative care, mental health services, and substance use treatment into HIV primary care.

# **Leverage Data:** Use and Disseminate Data to Inform Decision Making and Measure and Evaluate Progress



Use data from a variety of sources to improve policies, decision-making, and service delivery and create mechanism for program and outcome data dissemination, including dashboards and data visualizations.





# **Public Health Updates**





# **Mpox Health Alert Network (HAN)**

- HAN: Potential Risk for New Mpox Cases (May 15, 2023)
  - Cluster of mpox cases in the Chicago area
    - ✓ Between April 17 to May 5, 12 confirmed and one probable cases reported
    - √ Nine of the cases were among men who had received two JYNNEOS vaccines
    - ✓ No hospitalizations
- Although vaccine-induced immunity is not complete, vaccination continues to be important in preventing mpox and decreasing severe infections
- A resurgence of mpox could occur as people gather for festivals and other events this spring and summer





# **Mpox Resources**

- Risk of renewed mpox outbreaks warrants continued vigilance, steps to reduce risk of infections and vaccination
- Clinician recommendations for evaluating and treating mpox are available on the CDC website: <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/poxvirus/mpox/clinicians">https://www.cdc.gov/poxvirus/mpox/clinicians</a>
- May 19, 2023, Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR)
  includes reports on the effectiveness of JYNNEOS against diagnosed
  mpox and the effectiveness of JYNNEOS in preventing mpox





# **Additional Mpox Resources**

#### Get Healthy and Ready for Summer 2023

**Print** 



The warmer months are full of events that celebrate the LGBTQ+ community. Preparing for this season is a great opportunity to make sure that you stay healthy before, during, and after these celebrations.



For more information: <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/lgbthealth/summer/">https://www.cdc.gov/lgbthealth/summer/</a>







# Medicaid Continuous Enrollment Unwinding DCHAP Stakeholder Meeting

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# **Medicaid Continuous Enrollment Unwinding**

#### Background

- Under the Families First Coronavirus Response Act (FFCRA, P.L. 116-127), states received a 6.2 percentage point increase in the federal match if they did not disensell individuals during the public health emergency (PHE).
- The Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2023 (CAA, P.L. 117-328) enacted in December 2022:
  - decoupled the continuous coverage requirement from the PHE, ending it on March 31, 2023
  - phased down the enhanced matching rate over the remainder of 2023 if states meet certain criteria
  - established specific public reporting requirements, and –
  - provided the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) with additional enforcement mechanisms
- States have resumed normal operations, including **restarting** full Medicaid and CHIP eligibility renewals and **terminations of coverage for individuals who are no longer eligible.**





# Important Reminders about the Medicaid Continuous Enrollment Unwinding

- States began processing Medicaid and CHIP redeterminations as early as February 1, 2023, resulting in eligibility renewals or terminations on or after April 1, 2023.
- CMS found that of the renewals due in April, about:
  - 45% of renewals resulted in people successfully being able to keep their Medicaid or CHIP coverage.
  - 31% of renewals resulted in someone losing Medicaid or CHIP coverage.
    - Of those that lost coverage, 79% were due to procedural reasons like not returning a renewal form.
  - 24% of renewals were still being processed by Medicaid and CHIP agencies.
- High rates of procedural terminations alongside data indicating many Medicaid enrollees are not aware that renewals have restarted is concerning.







# Where do we go from here to keep people covered?

Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program recipients and subrecipients can assist people with Medicaid coverage to:

- ✓ **UPDATE their contact information** with their state Medicaid agency.
- ✓ **RESPOND to the Medicaid/CHIP renewal form** when it arrives.
- ✓ **CONSIDER OTHER COVERAGE OPTIONS** If a client is no longer eligible for Medicaid or CHIP, check for other coverage options (e.g., employer, Affordable Care Act Marketplace at HealthCare.gov, or through Medicare).
- ✓ AGRESSIVELY PARTNERING with managed care health insurance plans, hospitals, pharmacies, community organizations, employers, schools, and other partners to get out the word to Medicaid enrollees and assist patients in completing renewal forms or directly connecting them to health plans, navigators, or state agencies that can help do so.





# Where do we go from here to keep people covered?

- Identify all clients at risk of losing Medicaid coverage and flag their charts for reminders.
- **Send reminders** to clients regarding the need to renew Medicaid coverage.
- Schedule advance appointments to assist clients with Medicaid coverage renewals.
- Boost staff capacity to help Medicaid eligible clients renew and maintain coverage and help clients who are no longer eligible for Medicaid transition and enroll in alternate coverage
- **Increase staff time** on engagement, education, renewal, and enrollment activities for Medicaid clients.
- Ensure that Marketplace-eligible clients losing Medicaid or CHIP coverage from March 31, 2023 through July 31, 2024 are informed of the temporary Exceptional Circumstances Special Enrollment Period ("Unwinding SEP") providing additional flexibility to enroll in Marketplace coverage.





#### **Medicaid Resources**

- Access, Care, and Engagement Technical Assistance (ACE TA)
   Center
  - targethiv.org/ace
- CMS Medicaid Unwinding Resources
  - Medicaid.gov/unwinding
- All Hands-On Deck: Keeping People Covered as States Restart Routine Medicaid Renewals
  - <a href="https://www.medicaid.gov/resources-for-states/downloads/renewals-all-hands-on-deck-fact-sheet.pdf">https://www.medicaid.gov/resources-for-states/downloads/renewals-all-hands-on-deck-fact-sheet.pdf</a>
- Medicaid Continuous Enrollment Unwinding Program Letter
  - https://ryanwhite.hrsa.gov/sites/default/files/ryanwhite/grants/ medicaid-continious-enrollment-unwinding-program-letter.pdf





# **DCHAP Program Updates**





# **Notices of Award (NoA)**

- RWHAP Part D WICY Supplemental (HRSA-23-050)
  - Anticipate awards to be released by August
- RWHAP Part C Capacity Development (HRSA-23-052)
  - Anticipate awards to be released by September 1, 2023





# **Important Dates: Upcoming FFR Deadlines**

RWHAP Part C	Budget period ends	FY 2022 FFR Due Date
April Start	3/31/2023	7/30/2023
May Start	4/30/2023	7/30/2023
RWHAP Part D	Budget period ends	FY 2022 FFR Due Date
August Start	7/31/2023	10/30/2023
RWHAP Part F CBDPP	Budget period ends	FY 2022 FFR Due date
July Start	6/30/2023	10/30/2023





# **FY 2022 RWHAP Part C Expenditure Reports**

RWHAP Part C	FY 2022 Budget Period End Date	FY 2022 Expenditure Report Due Date
January Start	12/31/2022	3/31/2023
April Start	3/31/2023	7/30/2023
May Start	4/30/2023	7/30/2023





# **FY 2023 RWHAP Part C Allocation Reports**

RWHAP Part C	FY 2023 Budget Period Start Date	FY 2023 Allocation Report Due Date
January Start	1/1/2023	7/31/2023
April Start	4/1/2023	5/31/2023
May Start	5/1/2023	6/30/2023





#### **RWHAP Part D Allocation and Expenditure Reports**

#### Allocation

• FY 2022 RWHAP Part D Allocation Reports were due on **September 30, 2022.** 

#### Expenditure

• FY 2021 RWHAP Part D Expenditure Reports are due on **October 31, 2022.** 

Please work with your project officer (PO) if you need additional time to submit these reports, or if you require the assistance of Ryan White Data Support with the submission of these reports in the Program Terms Reporting (PTR) system.





# **RWHAP Part D WICY Basic Training Program**



#### Session #4

• **Topic:** Youth

• Date: Thursday, September 7, 2023

• **Time:** 2:00 – 4:00 pm EST

#### **Upcoming Session**

• Session #5 (Fall/Winter 2023): Clinical Quality Management





# **RWHAP Part D Communities of Practice (CoP)**

#### The Communities of Practice focus on three important areas:

- Pre-conception counseling, including sexual health (2023 2024)
- Trauma informed care (2024 2025)
- Youth transitioning from youth services to adult care (2025 2026)

#### **Trauma Informed Care Community of Practice**

- Is your Part D program interested in improving trauma informed care practices or is your Part D program excelling in this area? Consider joining the 2024-2025 cohort
- Start date: March 2024
- Email: AskPartD@hrsa.gov

Part D Communities of Practice Resources | TargetHIV





# HRSA and CDC to Jointly Host Public Health Leader and Community Listening Sessions in 2023

- In summer 2023, HRSA HAB will collaborate with CDC to jointly host the next series of virtual Public Health Leader and Community Listening Sessions.
- Similar to 2021, the virtual listening sessions will be hosted by region.
- Each region will have the opportunity to participate in both a public health leader and community member session.







# **2024 National Ryan White Conference Update**

#### **Dates**

August 20-23, 2024

#### Location

Marriott Marquis Washington, DC

#### **Format**

Hybrid, inperson and virtual participation.



#### Attendees

Up to 3,500 inperson attendees can participate.



#### **Purpose**

Deliver program and policy updates, share innovative care models, and provide training and TA to RWHAP recipients; federal, national, state, and local stakeholders; health care and service delivery providers; and people with HIV.

#### **Practice Models**

A forum for sharing best practice models to help attendees facilitate a coordinated response to HIV-related health disparities.





# **2024 NRWC Theme**





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# **2023 Stakeholder Webinar Schedule**



# **SAVE THE DATE**

**HAB's DCHAP Stakeholder Webinars** 

Day and Date	Time	
Thursday, October 19, 2023	2 pm – 4 pm ET	





# **Poll Question:**r Stakeholder Webina

# October Stakeholder Webinar Topics of Interest





# **Thank You!**





# Questions







# **Recruiting and Retaining Staff**

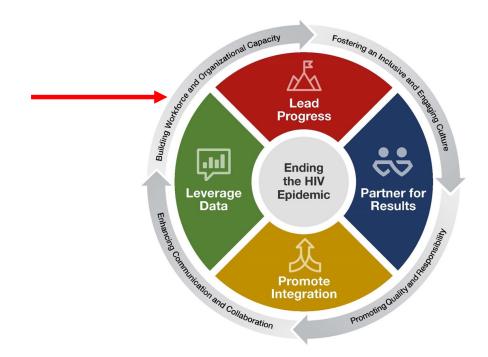
Strategies for Building and Sustaining the HIV Workforce and Strengthening Organizational Capacity

Dana Hines, Ph.D., DCHAP Nurse Consultant





# **HRSA HIV/AIDS Bureau Strategic Priorities in Action**









# UPMC Presbyterian Shadyside Pittsburgh (PA) Area Center for Treatment

Part of the UPMC Center for Care of Infectious Diseases





We Provide		
Primary and Specialty Care	Pharmacy Consultation	
Mental Health Service	Gynecological Care	
Dietitian/Nutrition Service	Free Partner Testing	
Medical/Non-Med Case Mgmt	Transportation – and more	



## Patient Demographics – 1,574 HIV+

Gender

76% Male

23% Female

1% Transgender

Age

13-24: 1%

25-44: 28%

45-64: 54%

65+: 17%

Race/Ethnicity

White: 54%

Black or African American: 39%

Hispanic, any race: 4%

More than one race: 2%

Asian: 1%

**Poverty Level** 

Below 100%: 22%

100-138%: 11%

139-200%: 11%

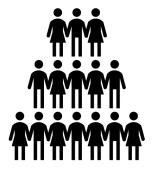
201-250%: 6%

251-400%: 12%

401-500%: 3%

>500%: 9%

Unknown/Unreported: 26%





## Objectives

#### Presenters will:



Describe clinic staff turnover during Pandemic 2020-22



Discuss approach used to identify root causes of turnover



Summarize strategies employed to address recruitment and retention



#### The Perfect Storm 2022



#### **In Survival Mode**

Only constant – change (previous 16 months)

2020-21 Gradual Turnover – relocations,
resignations, retirements

Gradual backfilling of vacancies

Were things getting back to normal?



#### 2022: What happened next

Serious health diagnosis – clinic manager

All clinical patient-facing staff quit (6 in span of 8 weeks)

No clinical staff remained in "front of the house" Led to several more departures

## Staff Turnover

With all departures, turnover rate for ID outpatient department employees was >41%



## Getting Under the Hood

- Understatement to say we were in trouble
- Intentional action needed to identify root cause(s) of exodus

#### Steps:

- 1. Administrator conducted exit interviews with all departing staff.
  - Common Themes
    - Burnt out from "acceptable" patient and physician behaviors
    - Felt "less than"
    - And no one was listening





## Getting Under the Hood

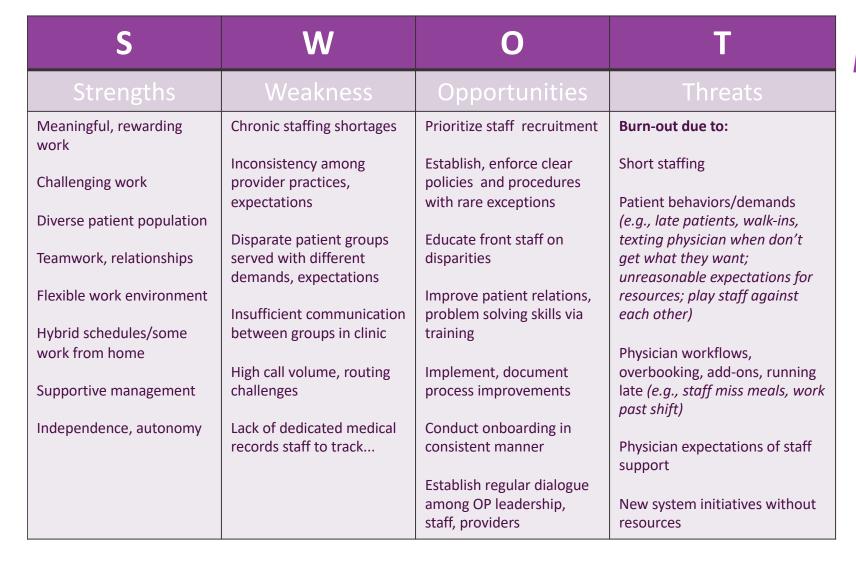
- Clinic Medical Director and Department Administrator then met 2:1 with each outpatient employee, asking each the same questions.
  - i. What elements of your job energize you?
  - ii. What elements most play to your strengths and true passion?
  - iii. What parts of your job sap your energy? Why?
  - iv. Describe your ideal working situation
  - v. My manager supports me by \_\_\_\_
  - vi. My manager could do better in this way/these ways \_\_\_\_
  - vii. I stay with Infectious Diseases because \_\_\_\_



## Getting Under the Hood

- De-identified responses to interview questions collected in MS forms survey
- 4. Responses collated by neutral third party
- 5. Separately, Clinic Medical Director and Administrator organized feedback into major categories
- 6. Met to compare/contrast findings and agree on approach
- 7. Feedback categories were then used to create a SWOT (Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities, Threats) Analysis
  - Became action plan for correction



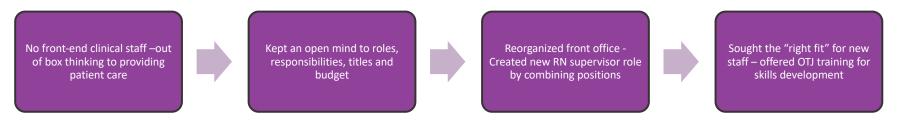




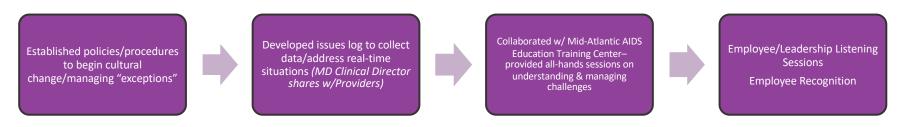


# Simultaneously Recruit & Retain - Prioritization & Multitasking (not all inclusive)

**RECRUITMENT** — needed to continue seeing patients AND backfill vacancies ASAP



**RETENTION** – while simultaneously focusing on opportunities & threats to develop action plan





## Lessons Learned & Key Takeaways

- Don't wait Listen and address team concerns in real time.
- 2. Ask staff to share concerns and ideas regularly, and then act on them.
- 3. Don't immediately press the "NO" button. Explore and if cannot accommodate, be open as to reasons why.
- 4. When working with physicians, have data to support your case.
- 5. Many times, we found that issues might have been attributed to 1-2 physicians.
- 6. When challenged by patients, listen to what is going on in their lives.
- 7. We held multiple educational sessions to help us see from patient perspective and managing expectations. However, we also cannot allow our staff to be bullied and abused.
- 8. Having clear processes and procedures and enforce them This will gradually help to manage expectations.
- 9. Recognize and treat exceptions as exceptions. They should be rare.



#### **Presenters**

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Recruiting and Retaining Staff:
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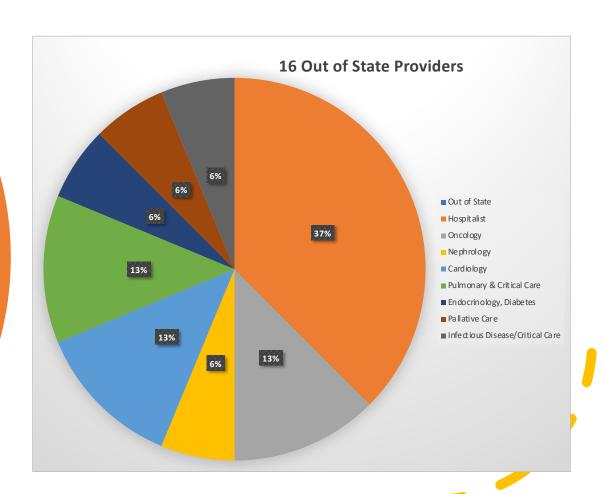


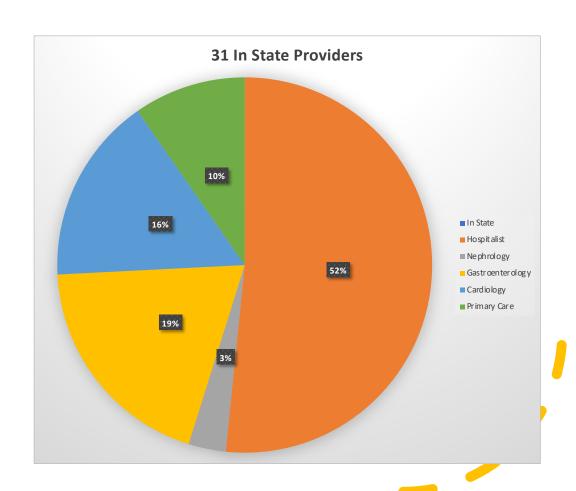
#### Presenters

- Micah Derby, D.O.
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- Funding stream Ryan White Part B & C
- When OSU Internal Medicine Specialty Service (IMSS) clinic was first awarded the grant, there were 188 patients
- Currently, OSU IMSS is caring for 1,443 patient, and have seen 4,198 patients since January 2023
- Our percentage of patients currently on ART is 99.3%
- Our percentage of patients with an undetectable viral load is 90.3%
- Since the award of the grant, OSU internal medicine residency program has trained over 170 physician with the knowledge of HIV care. This number only continues to grow as our residency program is growing
  - Our current resident class is 39 internal medicine residents
  - Many residents stay and work within the OSU system with continued exposure to HIV

- Provider retention working with HIV program
  - Drs Baker, Som, Cook, Cobbs, Woods, Derby, Hiebert, Hardesty all Internal Medicine attending physicians at OSU
  - Other IM providers Dr. Francis Haas
  - Dr. Madhuri Lad, Dr. Misty Brannen
  - Specialist Dr. Matt Wilkett and Dr. Steve Kiml





- Food and clothing pantry
- Virtual Support group lead by peer advocate
- HIV on site testing w/immediate treatment or referral to Internal Medicine for PrEP
- Collaboration with multiple local agencies in helping to prevent and treat HIV
- 6 full-time case managers
- Psych care within our clinic
- Full-time AAHIVP in house pharmacist
- Education:
  - HIV ECHO for rural Oklahoma
  - 1 of 2 U.S. residency programs that teach full-time in an HIV clinical setting
  - Telemedicine for 3 Oklahoma sites
  - All full-time clinical professors are AAHIVM certified

### Clinical Pharmacy and Staffing at OSU



- Total of 22 PGY1 pharmacy residents (5 PGY2 residents)
  - Longitudinal rotation
- Training students and residents
- Chart review and recommendations
  - Support for medical residents and attendings
- In-services for staff
- Assisting case management, nursing, and counselors

## Staff Onboarding

- All clinical staff attend the Clinic New Employee Orientation (NEO). Some examples of sessions for NEO include:
  - Clinic Overview: Dive into what makes OSU Medicine a great place to work!
  - History of Ryan White and timeline of HIV/AIDS
  - HIPAA, Safety, and Security: Learn how OSU priorities employee and patient safety and confidentiality.
  - Wellness: Find out the different wellness opportunities OSU provides for its employees (including websites with healthy recipes, multiple gyms, and mental health resources)

### Current Retention Efforts

- Salary Market Analysis
- Career Path for 5% increase in pay
- Tuition wavier for dependents and staff
- Referral incentive for employees
- Summer Hours
- 14 days of Holiday paid time off
- Vacation and Sick Time
- OSU Cowboys Spurs
- Flexible working hours

### Staff Burnout/Turnover

- Wellness program with incentives
- Free access to gym
- Cooking and gardening classes
- Team Building w/in the office
  - Easter Egg Hunt
  - National Margarita Day
  - St. Patrick's Day Leon Leprechaun
  - National Chip and Dip Day
  - July 4<sup>th</sup> Linda Liberty
  - Nurses, Physician, Front, Case Management Day

### Staff Engagement

- OSU Internal Medicine knows that having staff dedicated to our mission for caring for patients living with HIV/AIDs is critical to patient care and patient satisfaction.
- OSU Internal Medicine utilizes staff meetings, department meetings, and CQI meetings to ensure feedback, concerns, and questions are addressed and answered.
- OSU Internal Medicine welcomes and encourages education on new medications and procedures.

Team Building







Thank you

Q & A

### Connect with the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program

Learn more about our program at our new website: <a href="mailto:ryanwhite.hrsa.gov">ryanwhite.hrsa.gov</a>



Sign up for the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Listserv: <a href="https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/USHHSHRSA/signup/29907">https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/USHHSHRSA/signup/29907</a>





#### **HRSA Health Workforce Resources**

- Faculty Loan Repayment Program
- <u>Substance Use Disorder Treatment and Recovery Loan Repayment Program (STAR LRP)</u>
   Pediatric Specialty Loan Repayment Program
- Nurse Corps Loan Repayment Program
- National Health Service Corps (NHSC) Loan Repayment Programs
- NHSC Substance Use Disorder Workforce Loan Repayment Program | NHSC (hrsa.gov)
- NHSC Rural Community Loan Repayment Program | NHSC (hrsa.gov)
- NHSC Students to Service Loan Repayment Program | NHSC (hrsa.gov)
- Addressing Health Worker Burnout: The U.S. Surgeon General's Advisory on Building a Thriving Health Workforce





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