



State and Federal Scholarship & Loan Repayment Programs

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Nevada Health Service Corps

State loan repayment program administered by the Office of Rural Health of the University Of Nevada, Reno School of Medicine.

Participants in Nevada Health Service Corps must practice in a Health Professional Shortage Area (HPSA) and at a public or non-profit facility (Frontier, Rural or Urban) and treat all patients regardless of their ability to pay. They are required to provide a sliding fee schedule to patients based on income level. Compliance with this rule includes providing services at no charge for those at the lowest end of the fee scale. The qualified facilities that are usually eligible include Federally Qualified Health Centers, Tribal Health Centers, Rural Hospitals, Rural Clinics and Correctional facilities.

Loan Repayment Program

- **Benefits**
 - \$50,000 tax-free loan repayment funding
- **Responsibility**
 - 2 years full-time service at an approved site in Health Professional Shortage Area (HPSA)
- **Eligible Disciplines**
 - Primary care physician or psychiatrist (MD/DO), Physician Assistant (PA), Advanced Practice Registered Nurse (APRN), Certified Nurse Midwife (CNM), Psychiatric Nurse Specialist (PNS), Dentist, Dental Hygienist, Clinical Psychologist, Licensed Clinical Social Worker (LCSW), Licensed Professional Counselor (LPC), Marriage and Family Therapist (MFT), Pharmacist and Registered Nurse (RN)
- **Additional Information**
 - Continuation contracts for 1 year term
 - Applications accepted throughout the year; awards based on availability of state funds
 - Site must be located in a HPSA, but the HPSA score is not as critical as the national program

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National Health Service Corps

Federal program administered by the Health Resources Services Administration dedicated to supporting health professional training and placement in underserved areas through loan repayment and scholarships.



Loan Repayment Program

- **Benefits**
 - \$50,000 tax-free loan repayment funding for health professional educational costs
- **Responsibility**
 - 2 years full-time service at an NHSC approved site
- **Eligible Disciplines**
 - Primary care physician or psychiatrist, PA, APRN, PNS, CNM, Dentist, Dental Hygienist, Clinical Psychologist, LCSW, LPC, and MFT
- **Additional Information**
 - Application cycle opens once a year in January/February
 - HPSA score of healthcare site major determinate of competitiveness for funding

Scholarship Program

- **Benefits**
 - Stipend, tuition and related costs for health professional training up to 4 years
- **Responsibility**
 - 1 year full-time service per year support (minimum 2 years) at an NHSC approved site
- **Eligible Disciplines**
 - Enrolled in an accredited training program for Primary Care and Mental Health MD/DO, PA, APRN, CNM, DNP and dentist
- **Additional Information**
 - Non-competitive continuation contracts through the NHSC LRP for 1 year terms

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<http://nhsc.hrsa.gov/loanrepayment/index.html>, <http://nhsc.hrsa.gov/scholarships/>

Current / Active Participants Nevada Health Service Corps

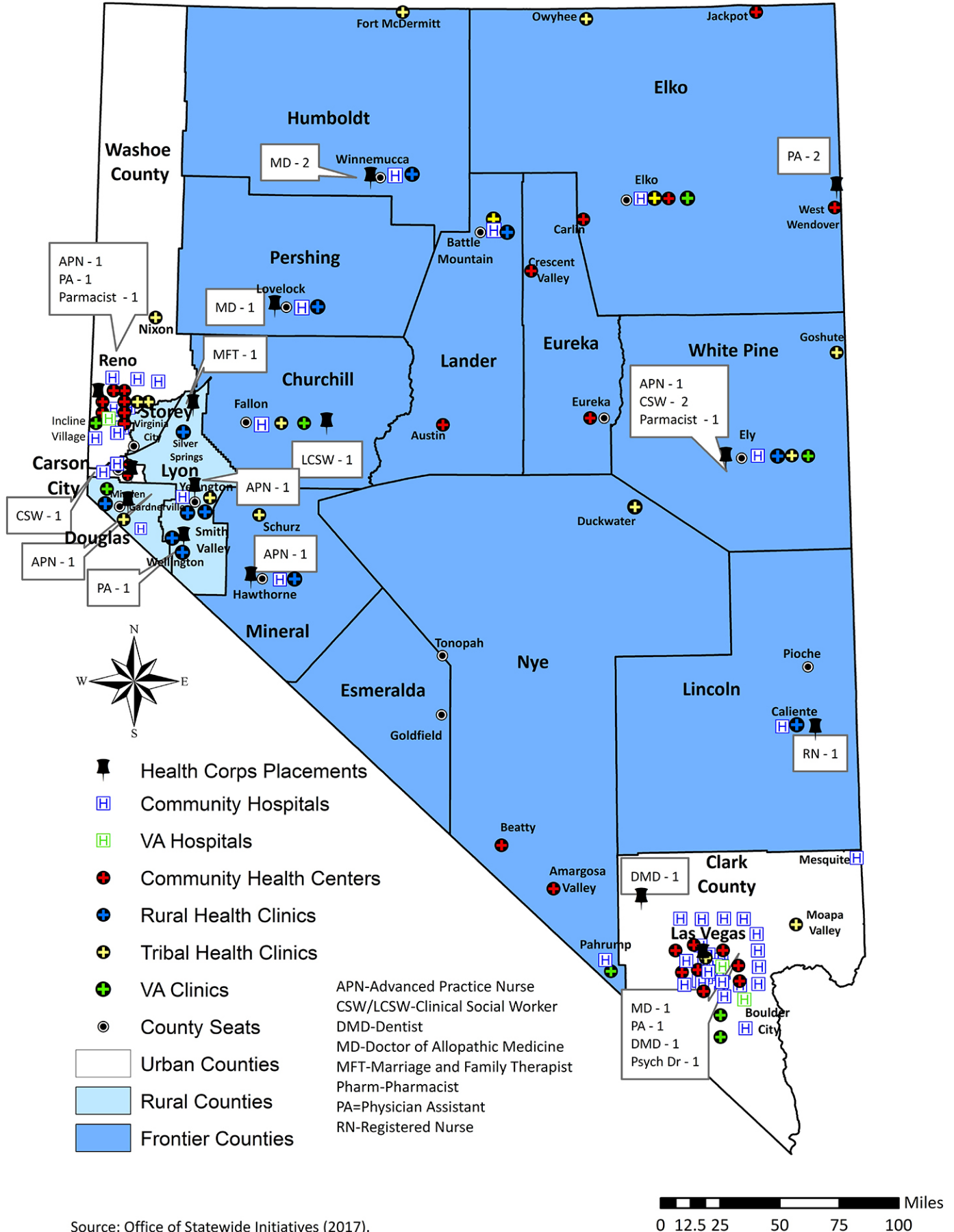
Registered Nurse	Caliente, Nevada
Clinical Social Worker	Carson City, Nevada
Advanced Practice Nurse	Ely, Nevada
Clinical Social Worker	Ely, Nevada
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Family Physician	Fallon, Nevada

Marriage and Family Therapist	Fernley, Nevada
Advanced Practice Nurse	Hawthorne, Nevada
Dentist	Indian Springs, Nevada
Dentist	Las Vegas, Nevada
Physician Assistant	Las Vegas, Nevada
Family Physician	Lovelock, Nevada
Advanced Practice Nurse	Minden, Nevada
Advanced Practice Nurse	Reno, Nevada
Physician Assistant	Wellington, Nevada
Physician Assistant	West Wendover, Nevada
Family Physician	Winnemucca, Nevada
Family Physician	Winnemucca, Nevada
Advanced Practice Nurse	Yerington, Nevada

Past Participants

MD/DO – 44	DDS / DMD – 11	PA-C – 42
APN / NP – 16	MFT / SW – 8	RN – 4
Nurse Midwife – 2	Pharmacist - 1	

State Loan Repayment Placements in Nevada



Source: Office of Statewide Initiatives (2017).