



# **Maryland Loan Assistance Repayment Program Advisory Council for Physicians and Physician Assistants**

**October 2, 2024**

# Agenda

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- I. Opening Business and Remarks
- II. Program Updates
- III. Discussion
  - A. Program Marketing and Outreach
- IV. Next Steps
- V. Open Discussion with Public Comment
- VI. Adjournment

# Introductions/ Roll Call

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## I. Workgroup Members

1. Name
2. Affiliation
3. Interest in workgroup

## II. Guests

Please note your name and affiliation, as relevant, in the chat box

# Administrative Reminders

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## Meeting Recording

Posted to workgroup webpage for 8/7/2024

## Workgroup Webpage

<https://health.maryland.gov/pophealth/Pages/MLARP-Advisory-Council-for-Physicians-and-Physician-Assistants.aspx>

## Google Share Drive

Shared to members; contact

[sara.seitz@maryland.gov](mailto:sara.seitz@maryland.gov) if unable to access

## **Mandated Activities**

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[SB626 \(2022\), Article – Health – General §§ 24–1701 – 1708](#)

The Council Shall:

- (1) Seek permanent and diverse revenue sources to aid in the stability and further development of the Program;
- (2) Help ensure maximum use of Federal funds;
- (3) Use available data and information to help direct funding to priority areas;
- (4) Monitor similar loan programs in other states and ensure that the Program remains competitive;
- (5) Assist the Department in the administration of the Program;

## **Mandated Activities**

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The Council Shall:

(6) Help market and raise awareness of the Program through educational institutions and other appropriate entities as an incentive to health care providers to practice in underserved areas;

Administratively, the Council shall:

(1) Meet at least three times per year

(2) On or before October 1 each year, the Council shall report to the Governor and the General Assembly on the activities of the Council and recommendations on any necessary changes to the Program

# MLARP Advisory Council (Living) Work Plan

Timeframe	Presentations/ Discussion	Mandate Area
Annual Cycle		
<b>August</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Application cycle results</li><li>- Preliminary profile of applicants/ awardees</li><li>- Cement/ approve October 1 report for submission</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Assist in the administration of MLARP</li><li>- Report to Governor &amp; Legislature</li></ul>
<b>October</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Marketing preparation/plan for winter implementation</li><li>- Member marketing action steps</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Market and raise awareness of the Program</li><li>- Monitor similar loan programs</li></ul>
<b>February</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Evaluation plan review/ improvements</li><li>- Application cycle preparation</li><li>- Member action steps toward 10/1 report</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Direct funding to priority areas</li><li>- Monitor similar loan programs</li><li>- Maximize use of Federal funds</li></ul>
<b>May</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Revenue source review</li><li>- Member action steps to expand revenue sources</li><li>- Preliminary recommendations for 10/1 report</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Revenue sources</li><li>- Direct funding to priority areas</li></ul>

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# Program Updates



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# Discussion

# Program Marketing and Outreach

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Statute: Help market and raise awareness of the Program through educational institutions and other appropriate entities as an incentive to health care providers to practice in underserved areas



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## Maryland Loan Repayment Programs

Maryland Loan Repayment Programs (MLRP) are designed to address the recruitment and retention of health care professionals in underserved areas of the state.

Dedicated health care professionals can benefit from assistance with higher education loan repayment, which is available in exchange for a service commitment at an eligible practice site.



### Program Objective

Dedicated health care providers work to meet the

More Information for Physicians, Residents, and Physician Assistants

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# Next Steps

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- **Meeting Schedule**

- Wednesday, February 5, 2025; 11:00 a.m.
- Focus:
  - Direct funding to priority areas
  - Monitor similar loan programs
  - Maximize use of Federal funds
- 2025: 2/5, 5/7, 8/6, 10/1 – Calendar invites pending

- **Action Steps**

- Review regulations draft upon availability/ provide comment
- Review profile/impact report upon availability/ provide comment
- Marketing tasks as discussed above

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# Open Discussion

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# Adjournment