



PROGRAM EXPANSION

New applicants to the Colorado Health Service Corps are now be able to choose to serve a full-time or part-time obligation. Currently obligated loan repayment recipients may now elect to change from full-time to part-time status.

HOURLY REQUIREMENTS & SERVICE OBLIGATION

Full-time providers must work at least 40 hours per week. Part-time providers must work at least 20 hours per week. Please see the hourly requirements (available on our website) for details of this breakdown based on discipline. All initial obligations are for 3 years.

Currently obligated full-time providers who wish to switch to part-time must first complete at least half of their initial term of service, provide a new letter of support from their employer, and submit a request to the Primary Care Office. No additional money will be awarded. The remaining months of the service obligation will be doubled. For example, a full-time provider with an initial 36-month obligation who switches to part-time after 24 months will double the remainder of their obligation from 12 months to 24 months, resulting in a revised total term of service of 48 months.

Providers may request a change from full-time to part-time status only once during their contract term. Providers cannot change from a part-time to a full-time service obligation.

AWARD AMOUNT

For new applicants who elect a part-time service obligation, the award amount will be equal to half of the standard award amount for one's discipline, or up to their qualifying educational loan balance, whichever is less. Standard award amounts are \$90,000 for physicians and dentists; \$50,000 for physician assistants, clinical pharmacists, advanced practice nurses, and licensed mental health practitioners; and \$20,000 for dental hygienists. The loan forgiveness benefit is nontaxable.