



**Department
of Health**

Nurses Across New York (NANY) Loan Repayment Program

July 12, 2022

History

Enacted in FY 2022-23 Executive Budget (Part A, of Health and Mental Hygiene Article VII)

Appropriation Language
Chapter 53, Page 763, Lines 5-7

5. For services and expenses of the nurse loan
6. repayment program pursuant to section
7. 2807-AA of the public health law.....\$2,500,000

Link to Public Health Law-2807-AA

<https://www.nysenate.gov/legislation/laws/PBH/2807-AA>



NANY Provisions

Monies shall be made available, subject to appropriations, for purposes of loan repayment awards for:

Registered Professional Nurses licensed to practice under section sixty-nine hundred five of the education law

Licensed Practical Nurses licensed under section sixty-nine hundred six of the education law

NANY Provisions

Funding shall be allocated regionally:

1/3 going to New York City

2/3 going to the rest of the State

Shall be distributed in a manner to be determined by the Commissioner without a competitive bid or request for proposals.

NANY Provisions

Loan repayments shall be awarded to repay student loans of nurses (RNs and LPNs) who:

Work in areas determined to be underserved areas in New York State

Who agree to work in such areas for three consecutive years

NANY Provisions

A nurse (RNs and LPNs) may be deemed to practice in an underserved area if they practice in a:

Facility

Physician's Office

Nurse Practitioner's Office

Physician Assistant's Office

That primarily serves an underserved population without regard to whether the population of the facility or office is located in an underserved area.



NANY Provisions

“Underserved area” is defined as, including, but not limited to:

Areas designed by the federal government as a health professional shortage area

A medically underserved area, or medically underserved population

Non-profit diagnostic and treatment centers which primarily serve Medicaid eligible patients or uninsured patients

Other areas determined by the Commissioner

NANY Provisions

Loan repayment awards shall not exceed:

the total qualifying outstanding debt of the nurse (RN or LPN) from student loans to cover tuition and other related expenses, made by or guaranteed by the federal or state government or made by a lending or educational institution approved under title IV of the federal higher education act.

Loan repayment awards shall be used solely to repay such outstanding debt.

NANY Provisions

Nurses (RNs and LPNs) shall be eligible for a loan repayment award to be determined by the Commissioner over a three-year period distributed as follows:

Year 1 award = 30%

Year 2 award = 30%

Year 3 award = unpaid balance of the total award not to exceed the maximum award amount

NANY Provisions

In the event that a three-year commitment is not fulfilled, the recipient shall be responsible for repayment of the amounts paid. (Calculated in accordance with the formula set forth in 42 USC 254-o)

The Commissioner may postpone, change or waive the service obligation and repayment amounts in individual circumstances where there is a compelling need or hardship.

NANY Provisions

To develop a streamlined application process for the nurse loan repayment program, the Department shall appoint a stakeholder workgroup comprised of associations representing nurses, general hospitals, and other health care facilities.

The stakeholder workgroup shall make application process recommendations by September 30, 2022.

NANY Provisions

In the event that there are undistributed funds within the amounts made available, such funds shall be reallocated and distributed in current or subsequent application periods in a manner determined by the Commissioner.

Stakeholder Workgroup Timeline

July 12, 2022:

Introduction and orientation
Landscape of nurse workforce
Questions

August 12, 2022:

Discussion of implementation of streamlined application
(other items)

September 13, 2022:

Presentation of streamlined application to workgroup
Final thoughts

September 30, 2022:

Final streamlined application completed

