

Programs Using HPSA and MUA/P Designations

PROGRAM	HPSA				MUA	MUP
	Geographic	Population	Facility	Government	Area	Population
Recruitment of health professionals through National Health Service Corps http://nhscjobs.hrsa.gov	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Educational Loan Repayment for health care professionals through the National Health Service Corps http://nhsc.bhpr.hrsa.gov/applications/rraa.asp	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Educational Loan Repayment for primary care health professionals through the State Loan Repayment Program http://nhsc.bhpr.hrsa.gov/join_us/slrp.asp	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
CMS gives physicians a 10% bonus payment for Medicare-reimbursable services http://www.cms.hhs.gov/hpsapsaphysicianbonuses	Yes	No	No	No	No	No
CMS exempts new physicians from new Medicare limitations on "Customary Charges" Public Law 100-203, Section 4047	Yes	No	No	No	No	No
Health Center Program (funded under Section 330 of PHS Act) (AKA Community Health Center, FQHC) http://www.bphc.hrsa.gov/about	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
Federally Qualified Health Center Look-Alikes must serve a population designated as MUA or MUP http://www.bphc.hrsa.gov/about	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes
Rural Health Clinic Certification through Medicare http://www.cms.hhs.gov/CertificationandCompliance/18_RHCs.asp	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Rural Health Clinic Act provides Medicare and Medicaid reimbursement for services provided by physician assistants and CRNPs in clinics in rural HPSAs http://www.cms.hhs.gov/CertificationandCompliance/18_RHCs.asp	Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No
State 30 J-1 Visa Waiver program for international medical graduates http://www.raconline.org/info_guides/hc_providers/j1visafaq.php#whatiswaiver	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
PHS Grant Programs administered by HRSA's Bureau of Health Professions gives finding preference to Title VII and VIII training programs in HPSAs http://bhpr.hrsa.gov/dsa/health_policy/FY99/Fy99L02.htm	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes
Medicare will reimburse physicians when they consult via telecommunications in a federally designated HPSA (Balanced Budget Act '97) http://www.cms.hhs.gov/Telemedicine	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Medicare HPSA bonus Payment (Primary Care & Mental Health) http://www.cms.hhs.gov/hpsapsaphysicianbonuses	Yes	No	No	No	No	No
Indian Health Service Scholarship Program http://www.ihs.gov/index.cfm?module=Jobs	No	Yes	No	No	No	Yes