



The Georgia Board for Physician Workforce administers a state program to assist physicians with the repayment of loans they obtained while attending medical school. The Physicians for Rural Areas Assistance Program is for physicians who have completed residency and are in practice. The program is service-cancelable, with a requirement of working full-time in an underserved, rural county in Georgia (a population of 35,000 or less based on the most recent U.S. Census). Please see the chart below for information about the program.

<b>Physicians for Rural Areas Assistance Program</b>	
<b>Who can apply?</b>	Applicants must be a legal resident the U.S., have graduated from an A.C.G.M.E. or A.O.A. accredited Graduate Medical Education Program in the U.S., have a GA Medical License, have a GA Medicaid Provider Number and actively treat Medicaid patients
<b>When should I apply?</b>	The application period runs from Sept. 1 through Oct. 31 on the GBPW website
<b>What specialties are accepted in the program?</b>	All specialties can apply, but primary care/core specialties will receive higher priority
<b>What is the amount of the award?</b>	For 2017, there will be 36 awards of up to \$25,000 each for the Physicians for Rural Areas Assistance Program
<b>What is the renewal process?</b>	Applicants must reapply each year, and if there are no substantial changes over the previous year, the application will be automatically renewed. However, substantial changes will require the application to be ranked as a new application.
<b>What is the service repayment?</b>	One year of working full-time in a Georgia county of 35,000 or less for each year of funding received
<b>What are the penalties for not completing the obligation?</b>	Double the principal amount received

**Please note:** This chart is for information only and does not outline the full stipulations of the program. For the most recent and detailed information, please visit <http://gbpw.georgia.gov/loan-repayment-programs>.

# Georgia Board for Physician Workforce Eligibility Map for Loan Repayment Programs

