

PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY INFORMATION

The Maine Health Care Provider Loan Repayment Pilot Program provides one-time funds (paid over three years) to support rebuilding Maine's health care industry workforce, which has been negatively impacted by COVID-19. Funding is limited – not all who qualify will receive loan repayment.

In addition to completing FAME's application, an applicant must:

- Be licensed and/or certified by the State of Maine as a medical, dental, or behavioral health practitioner or be a person with a professionally recognized medical, dental or behavioral health credential in the State of Maine;
- Have qualifying outstanding education loans;
- Be employed as a health care provider as determined by FAME;
- Work in identified health care profession in Maine and establish Maine residency for a minimum of 3 years after acceptance into the program;
- Not be benefitting from a loan forgiveness or loan repayment program administered by FAME or another entity (not including the federal Public Service Loan Forgiveness program)

This program is governed by Maine law as set forth in P.L. 2021, Ch. 483 (Part H) and Chapter 620 of the Rules of the Finance Authority of Maine.

INSTRUCTIONS AND REQUIREMENT CHECKLIST

Applicants must submit completed application and required documents to FAME by **September 1, 2022**. These include:

- The Completed Maine Health Care Provider Loan Repayment Pilot Program online application
- Essay (limit 4500 characters) describing your commitment to Maine as a health care provider in your specialty and the impact that being selected would have on your career goals;
- If not yet employed, you must submit a contract or employment letter;
- Evidence of outstanding educational loans, including all of the below:
 - Your full name
 - Date of loan statement
 - Loan type(s)
 - Current Outstanding balance
 - Remaining term
 - Monthly payment amount
 - Evidence of income-driven repayment plan on federal education loans, if applicable
- Copy of Maine licensure or certification, or other credential;
- Official academic transcript showing most recent degree conferred;
- Résumé

IMPORTANT APPLICATION GUIDELINES

- "Pop-ups" must be enabled
- Once you begin the online application, you must finish. The online application cannot be saved to finish later.
- Have required documents ready in .pdf format prior to starting application
- If selected, FAME will submit an electronic employment certification from their employer. Final selection is contingent upon satisfactory employment certification.

You must submit all required documents for your application to be considered complete. Applications that are not complete by the deadline are ineligible. FAME assumes no responsibility for identifying missing or erroneous information.