

# Community Mental Health Loan Repayment Program: Psychiatrists and Advanced Practitioners

### CMHLRP 2025 Prescriber RFP Questions & Answers

Additional questions regarding this funding opportunity should be submitted to: <a href="https://doi.org/10/13/25">OMH.CMHLRP@omh.ny.gov</a>. The answers to questions received by 10/13/25 will be posted here.

Applications must be submitted to <a href="OMH.CMHLRP@omh.ny.gov">OMH.CMHLRP@omh.ny.gov</a> by 10/20/25.

#### **Q&As from 8/26/2025 Webinar**

1. If someone has already worked at an agency for 3 years, do they need to commit to working an additional 3 years, or is their existing 3-year tenure sufficient?

CMHLRP awards entail a three-year commitment to work at the agency's eligible program(s) beginning on the award start date. For the CMHLRP 2025 Prescribers RFP, the start date can be between 10/21/25 and 12/21/25.

2. If I had federal aid, but refinanced my loans, am I still eligible for this loan program?

Please see #12 from the CMHLRP 2025 Prescribers FAQs.

3. If an eligible staff member works only 10 hours per week, are they still eligible?

Please see #15 from the CMHLRP 2025 Prescribers FAQs.

4. I work for an OCFS program, is my facility qualified to offer this RFP?

Please see #4 from the CMHLRP 2025 Prescribers FAQs.

5. Can you send the information shared in the Power Point? Also, can you provide the link for the FAQ you mentioned?

Today's recording, the slides, and the answers to questions asked will be posted to the CMHLRP 2025 RFP page.

#### 6. Who do you recommend we reach out to, to begin this application?

Please see #2 from the <u>CMHLRP 2025 Prescribers FAQs.</u> We recommend interested professionals reach out first to your Human Resources department if you are unsure who would handle applications within your agency.

7. How many rounds of Loan repayments are opened/offered throughout the year? Do they open routinely for specific programs/positions? Our agency had a few applicants last year and the payments were different for the 3 employees that applied. Is there a way to determine what the approved amount was, if the person who was the point of contact previously is no longer with our agency?

This is the seventh round of CMHLRP since 2022. Each round has specific eligibility requirements detailed in the RFP. We have had several rounds for prescribers and rounds for other licensed mental health clinicians and children's clinicians. Per the <u>Definitions and Background</u> document: "CMHLRP is provided regularly as a Request for Proposal (RFP) opportunity to providers of community mental health programs. Each CMHLRP RFP is posted to the OMH RFP page and outlines the RFP-specific eligibility criteria for applicant agencies and the professionals on whose behalf they apply."

Please direct any questions about current or previous awards to: OMH.CMHLRP@omh.ny.gov.

## 8. Where is funding provided? Do you see funding cuts coming in the near future?

Per the <u>CMHLRP 2025 Prescribers RFP Program Overview</u>: "This State Aid funding opportunity for eligible agencies is issued by the Office of Mental Health (OMH)."

"The funds will be provided directly to the applicant agency, who will enter into loan repayment agreements with each individual participating professional (Agency Loan Repayment and Service Commitment Agreements) and distribute CMHLRP payments to the participating professional(s) as obligated by each agreement."

We anticipate additional rounds of the Community Mental Health Loan Repayment Program in the future.