# National Health Service Corps Scholarship Program

## Program Description
Students pursuing a career in primary health care are eligible to receive funding for their education in exchange for practicing in rural, urban, and frontier communities in Health Professional Shortage Areas (HPSAs) with limited access to care, upon graduation and licensure.

## Eligible Disciplines
Enrolled or accepted in the following primary health care disciplines in an eligible degree program in a U.S. state or territory:
- Primary Care Physician (MD or DO)
- Dentist (DDS or DMD)
- Family Nurse Practitioner (NP)
- Certified Nurse-Midwife (CNM)
- Primary Care Physician Assistant (PA)

## Service Commitment
1-year service commitment per scholarship year or partial scholarship year; 2-year minimum and 4-year maximum.

## Financial Benefits
Funding for a maximum of 4 years:
- Tuition
- Required fees
- Reasonable educational costs
- Monthly support stipend

## Tax Liability
Only stipend is taxable.

## Where Members Serve
NHSC Scholars must practice at an NHSC-approved site in a Health Professional Shortage Area (HPSA) with a minimum score that is determined annually.

- **NHSC sites are located in 50 states, DC, and territories and may be a:**
  - Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC)
  - FQHC Look-alike
  - Rural Health Clinic
  - Hospital-affiliated Primary Care Outpatient Clinic
  - Indian Health Service, Tribal Clinic, and Urban Indian Health Clinic (ITU)
  - State or Federal Correctional Facility
  - Private Practice (Solo/Group)

- **Other Health Facilities:**
  - Community Mental Health Facility
  - Community Outpatient Facility
  - Critical Access Hospital
  - Free Clinic
  - Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Health Service Corps
  - Mobile Unit
  - School-based Health Program
  - State and County Department of Health Clinic

## Application Requirements
U.S. citizen (U.S. born or naturalized) or U.S. national

## Web Site
NHSC.hrsa.gov/scholarships