

ANNOUNCEMENT
Central Regional Partnership Loan Repayment Program
Workforce Education and Training (WET)
December 2023



The Central Regional Partnership WET Loan Repayment Program is NOW OPEN and will close February 9, 2024 at 5:00 PM.

A limited number of awards will be available in the public mental health system (PMHS) within Placer County. Eligible public mental health professionals in Placer County may be awarded up to \$8,750 towards the repayment of educational loans.

- ❖ To complete an application, please go to the **HCAI Application Portal** at: https://oshpd.sjc1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_eqByS1YOCV0dMii
- ❖ A Loan Repayment Program application must be submitted via the online application portal by February 9, 2024. Applications submitted after **February 9, 2024, 5:00 pm PST** will not be accepted.
- ❖ This program requires that eligible PMHS applicants work in a “hard-to-fill” position as defined by participating counties within the Central Region. Please refer to the [Eligibility Requirements](#) established to meet our critical workforce needs.

Program overview and requirements:

- The Loan Repayment Program is a financial incentive strategy that is included in the California Department of Health Care Access and Information (HCAI) Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Statewide Workforce Education and Training (WET) Plan. The Central Regional Partnership, of which Placer County is included, has partnered with the California Mental Health Services Authority (CaIMHSA) to make this funding available to the Public Mental Health System workforce with the Central Region’s participating counties. CaIMHSA manages the program, reviews eligible applications, and generates agreements with the awardees.
- Eligible applicants must work in county-operated mental health settings or in a county-contracted, community-based mental health agency or substance use disorder treatment agency in Placer County.
- Awardees are required to work 12 months (one year) in a hard-to-fill or hard-to-retain position in the public mental health system in Placer County from the date of loan repayment agreement to be eligible for program participation.

If you have any questions on the application process and requirements, contact **CaIMHSA** directly at WET@calmhsa.org. To receive the Program Guide or for eligibility questions, contact local county representative, Sue Compton, WET Coordinator, at scompton@placer.ca.gov. Past program awardees currently serving their 2-year service obligation may inquire about additional eligibility.