



# Rural Iowa Primary Care Loan Repayment Program

The Rural Iowa Primary Care Loan Repayment Program is a state-supported and administered loan repayment program developed to address critical doctor shortages in rural Iowa communities. It provides loan repayment incentives for medical students who agree to practice as physicians in rural commitment areas for 5 years.

## Eligibility Requirements

A student is eligible to apply to enter into a program agreement if he or she:

- Attends the Des Moines University College of Osteopathic Medicine or the University of Iowa Carver College of Medicine.
- Is enrolled full-time in a program leading to a doctor of medicine degree or a doctor of osteopathy degree.
- Receives a recommendation from his or her college contact.
- A limited number of applicants will be recommended to complete the agreement.

## Program Agreements

A student who meets the above eligibility requirements must sign an agreement in the final year of his or her program of study agreeing to fulfill the following requirements.

- Matriculate in and graduate from Des Moines University College of Osteopathic Medicine or the University of Iowa Carver College of Medicine;
- Complete an Iowa-based residency program (an accredited medical residency located in Iowa, view list on second page);
- Become licensed and employed in the practice of medicine and surgery or osteopathic medicine and surgery, specializing in family medicine, pediatrics, psychiatry,

internal medicine or general surgery within nine months of completing residency.

- Work for a minimum of 5 consecutive years in an eligible service commitment area following completion of residency.

## An eligible service commitment area is

- An Iowa city with a population less than 26,000 located more than 20 miles from a city with a population of at least 50,000 (see map on second page).
- Service commitment areas must provide a \$20,000 matching contribution to a trust fund held by the state of Iowa that will fund future recipient awards.

Upon receipt of an Iowa license and secured employment, loan repayment awards will be paid directly to the student loan lender. Up to \$40,000 can be paid annually to eligible student loan balances for up to five years. Federal loans eligible for repayment include all Subsidized Stafford, Unsubsidized Stafford, Graduate PLUS and Perkins Loans. Priority will be given to eligible students who are residents of Iowa. If an applicant signs an agreement but fails to meet the program criteria prior to receiving a loan repayment award, the applicant has no further employment requirement under the agreement.

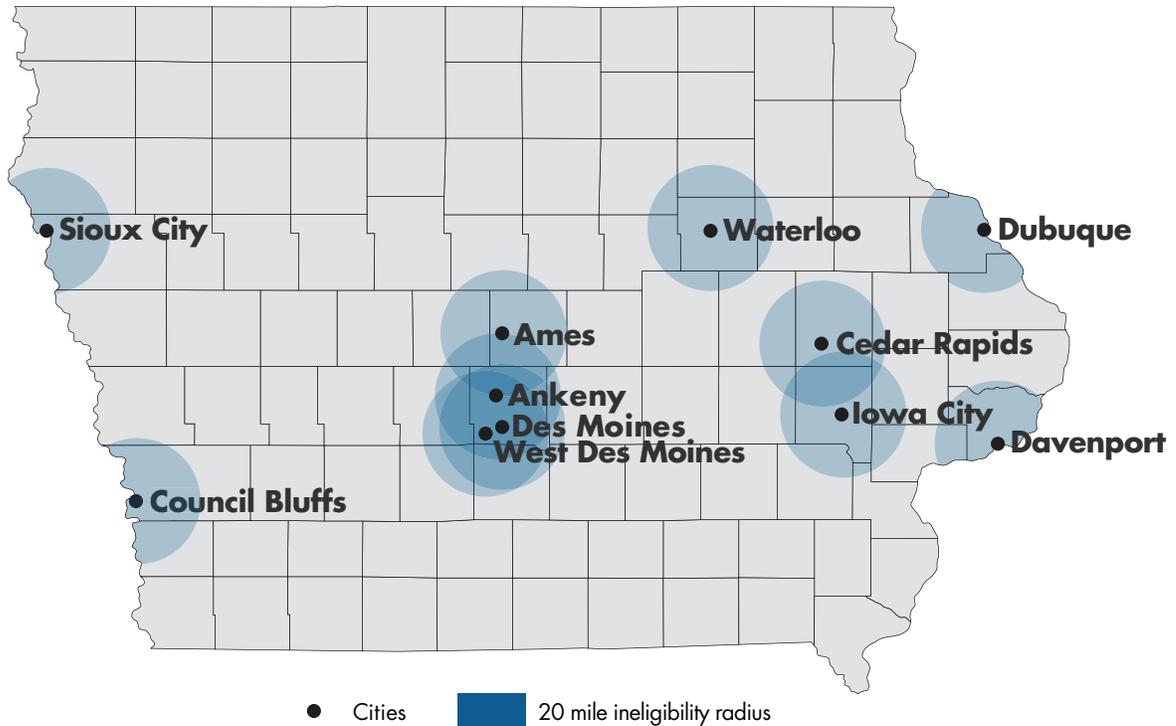
## College Contacts

To be considered for the program, contact the individual below at the college you are attending:

- Linda Bissell at the University of Iowa Carver College of Medicine – 319-335-8059; or
- Mary Payne at the Des Moines University College of Osteopathic Medicine – 515-271-1452

# Eligible Service Commitment Areas

Current eligible service commitment areas appear in gray on the map below (as of summer 2016)



## Eligible residency locations include (as of summer 2016):

Location	Sponsor	Program	Type
Cedar Rapids	Cedar Rapids Medical Education Foundation	Family Medicine	Allopathic
Davenport/Bettendorf	Genesis Medical Center	Family Medicine	Allopathic
Davenport/Bettendorf	Trinity at Terrace Park	Family Medicine	Osteopathic
Des Moines	Broadlawns Medical Center	Family Medicine	Allopathic
Des Moines	Iowa Lutheran Hospital	Family Medicine	Allopathic
Des Moines	Mercy Medical Center - Des Moines	Family Medicine	Allopathic
Iowa City	University Hospitals and Clinics	Family Medicine	Allopathic
Mason City	Mercy Medical Center	Family Medicine	Allopathic
Sioux City	Siouxland Medical Education Foundation	Family Medicine	Allopathic
Waterloo	Northeast Iowa Medical Education Foundation	Family Medicine	Allopathic
Iowa City	University Hospitals and Clinics	Family Medicine/Psychiatry	Allopathic
Des Moines	Iowa Methodist Medical Center	General Surgery	Allopathic
Des Moines	Mercy Medical Center	General Surgery	Osteopathic
Iowa City	University Hospitals and Clinics	General Surgery	Allopathic
Des Moines	Iowa Methodist Medical Center	Internal Medicine	Allopathic
Des Moines	Mercy Medical Center	Internal Medicine	Osteopathic
Mason City	Mercy Medical Center	Internal Medicine	Osteopathic
Iowa City	University Hospitals and Clinics	Internal Medicine	Allopathic
Iowa City	University Hospitals and Clinics	Internal Medicine/Psychiatry	Allopathic
Des Moines	Iowa Methodist Medical Center	Pediatrics	Allopathic
Iowa City	University Hospitals and Clinics	Pediatrics	Allopathic
Iowa City	University Hospitals and Clinics	Psychiatry	Allopathic
Iowa City	University Hospitals and Clinics	Psychiatry - Child & Adolescent	Allopathic