

PHYSICAL THERAPY ASSISTANT APPROVAL GUIDELINES FOR HSM LOAN REPAYMENT



A borrower may practice as a full-time physical therapy assistant in any medical facility, State or county public institutions and agencies that provide services predominantly to such institutions, Employment in a physician's office, private practice, research, or federal facilities is excluded from service cancellation consideration.

Service Application Process: A borrower must be employed full-time in an approved practice site within 90 or 180 days from the date he/she passes the first or second licensure examination. Upon full-time employment in an approved practice site, a borrower must submit an [HSM Application for Service Cancellation](#) form signed by the borrower and his/her employer. A practice site must be approved by the SEAA in order to qualify for service cancellation. Completed forms or questions concerning the application process should be directed to the address and telephone number below:

SEAA - Repayment Services
P.O. Box 14223
RTP, NC 27709-4223

1 (919) 549-8614 Local
1 (800) 700-1775, option # 2 Toll Free

If you change your practice site prior to the end of your scholarship loan obligation, you must seek approval from the SEAA prior to the change to assure that your new site will allow continuous service credit. If your practice site is based on a shortage list, a new site change will be reviewed based on the current shortage list in effect at the time of your change.

PRACTICE OR EMPLOYMENT

Full-time employment should begin within ninety (90) days after completion of training unless otherwise stated in the promissory note for which each loan was awarded.

EXAMINATIONS

- Licensure examinations must be written the first time they are offered following the completion of required coursework.
- If the recipient fails to pass the first two successive licensure examinations offered following the completion of required coursework, a recipient's note(s) becomes due and payable.

CANCELLATION

Loans received for all programs, with the exception of nurse education, may be cancelled with interest on the basis of a calendar year of service for each academic year or fraction thereof for which the student received a loan.