A borrower may practice as a full-time veterinarian in any community where there is a shortage of veterinarians who specialize in food animal and equine medicine. A borrower may also practice as a laboratory animal resources veterinarian and may conduct research in private industry.

**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 veterinarian who practices food animal and equine medicine must submit an [Veterinary Medicine Proposed Practice Application](#) and letters of support from a county health department official and an Agricultural Extension agent to Repayment Services for practice approval.

With respect to food animal and equine practice, the following shall apply as to the time devoted: (1) solo practice: 15-25% the first year; 25-35% the second year; 35-40% the third year; and 40-50% the fourth year; and (3) for a group associateship (two or more), fifty (50%) is required for each year of the loan recipient’s obligation.

The Laboratory Animal Resources Veterinarian 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
(919) 549-8614 Local
(800) 700-1775, option # 2 Toll Free

**EXAMINATIONS**
Licensure examinations must be written the first time they are offered following the completion of required coursework.

If the borrower fails to pass the first two successive licensure examinations offered following the completion of required coursework, the scholarship loan becomes due and payable.

**PRACTICE OR EMPLOYMENT**
Full-time employment for physicians and veterinarians should begin within three years after graduation from medical school and within ninety (90) days after completion of their postgraduate training unless otherwise stipulated in the promissory note.

**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.