
NOTICES OF PUBLIC INFORMATION

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC INFORMATION DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES

[M16-22]

- 1. Title and its heading:** 9, Health Services

Chapter and its heading: 15, Department of Health Services - Loan Repayment

Article and its heading: 1, Definitions

2, Primary Care Provider Loan Repayment Program

3, Rural Private Primary Care Provider Loan Repayment Program
- 2. The public information relating to the listed Section:**

Arizona Revised Statutes (A.R.S.) §§ 36-2172 and 36-2174 provides authorization to the Department to establish a loan repayment program to pay off portions of education loans taken out by physicians, dentists, and mid-level providers who agree to provide primary care services to patients in Health Professional Shortage areas (HPSA) or Arizona medically underserved areas. The Department has implemented A.R.S. §§ 36-2172 and 36-2174 in Arizona Administrative Code (A.A.C.) Title 9, Chapter 15. Laws 2015, Ch. 3 provides the Department with exempt rulemaking authority to amend the rules to add physicians in the discipline of geriatrics and psychiatry, pharmacists, advance practice providers, and behavioral health providers to the list of providers; to increase amounts awarded to primary care providers; and to allow telemedicine, part-time primary care providers, as well as prioritization for state residents and primary care providers in high HPSAs. In compliance with Laws 2015, Ch. 3, the Department is amending the rules and will post the amended rules to the Department's website at <http://azdhs.gov/ops/oacr/rules/rulemakings/active/index.php?pg=loan-repayment> for a 30-day public comment period beginning February 19, 2016. This Notice of Public Information provides notice that the Department has notified the public of an opportunity for public comment before adopting amended rules.
- 3. The name, address, and telephone number of agency personnel to whom questions and comments on the rules may be addressed:**

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- 4. The website where persons may obtain information about the rulemaking:**

The amended Loan Repayment Program rules will be available beginning February 19, 2016 at Department Rules'



webpage: <http://azdhs.gov/ops/oacr/rules/rulemakings/active/index.php?pg=loan-repayment> for the 30-day public comment period required by Laws 2015, Ch. 3.