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## Welcome!

We'd like to share with you, as clients of McAlpin Capitol Results, our first *Policy Update* newsletter. These newsletters will be our way to share with you information and opportunities in the areas of policy, funding, regulation, and much more.



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## Minnesota Health Care Loan Forgiveness Program - Applications Being Accepted Now

The Minnesota Office of Rural Health and Primary Care grants Loan Forgiveness to various health care professionals serving in high-need areas. View the links below for the list of eligible professions as well as program information specific to each including eligibility, award amounts, service obligation, timelines, etc. Also visit the FAQs for additional pertinent program information.

Review the [Frequently Asked Questions \(PDF\)](#) about the Minnesota Health Care Loan Forgiveness Program.

II. The application cycle for the following eligible professions is open Wednesday, November 1 through Saturday, January 6, 2024, 11:59 p.m. View or download the [2023 MN Loan Forgiveness Program Information Notice \(PIN\) \(PDF\)](#).

- [Minnesota Rural Dental Therapists/Advanced Dental Therapist Guidelines](#)
- [Minnesota Dentist Guidelines](#)
- [Minnesota Rural Mental Health Professional Guidelines](#)
- [Minnesota Urban Mental Health Professional Guidelines](#)
- [Minnesota Rural Advanced Practice Provider Guidelines](#)
- [Minnesota Urban Advance Practice Provider Guidelines \(Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner Only\)](#)
- [Minnesota Nurse Faculty Guidelines](#)
- [Minnesota Long Term Care Nurses Guidelines](#)
- [Minnesota Rural Pharmacist Guidelines](#)
- [Minnesota Rural Physician Guidelines](#)
- [Minnesota Urban Physician Guidelines](#)
- [Minnesota Rural Public Health Nurse Guidelines](#)

If you have any questions, please contact MDH at: [health.loanforgiveness@state.mn.us](mailto:health.loanforgiveness@state.mn.us)

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## Report Findings on Liability Crisis Impact on Access to Emergency Care

[Medical Malpractice: Implications of Rising Premiums On Access to Health Care](#)  
General Accounting Office - August 2003

The General Accounting Office (GAO), a non-partisan independent research agency of the federal government, conducted a thorough and objective study of the consequences of the liability crisis and issued a report entitled "Medical Malpractice: Implications of Rising Premiums On Access to Health Care". While the report did not note substantial evidence of access to care issues for a number of providers, key findings illustrated the unique problems that the liability crisis poses for access to emergency care.

Language from the GAO Report: [READ MORE....](#)



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