

# OKLAHOMA DENTAL LOAN REPAYMENT PROGRAM (ODLRP)

#### What?

The Oklahoma Dental Loan Repayment Act, authorized in 2006, created a program designed to increase the number of dentists serving and caring for those dependent upon the state for dental care and to make dental care accessible to underserved areas by providing educational loan repayment assistance for up to 25 Oklahoma licensed dentists for up to 5 years per dentist. Dentists may also enter the program as faculty at the University of the Oklahoma College of Dentistry, as applicable.

#### How?

Practice full time in a designated ODLRP professional shortage area or exempted facility according to state law

AND

Agree that at least 30% of total patients treated are Medicaid recipients.

OR

Qualify for an ODLRP faculty position at the OU College of Dentistry.

#### Who?

New dentists who:

- Have graduated from dental school during the last 5 years.
- Have an Oklahoma dental license or faculty permit at the time the service obligation begins.

## Why?

- Contribute to your community and reduce health disparities.
- Receive \$25,000 per year per dentist toward the repayment of dental school loans. Number of participants and amount of loan assistance is dependent upon the availability of state funds.

### Where?

For more information, guidelines and application forms, please see our website at <a href="http://den.health.ok.gov">http://den.health.ok.gov</a> or contact us at ODLRP@health.ok.gov

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