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Dear Tribal Leader and Urban Indian Organization Leader:

The Indian Health Service (IHS) Division of Health Professions Support requests your assistance in identifying priority health professions for inclusion into categories eligible for the IHS Scholarship Program (SP) in academic year 2024-2025 and the IHS Loan Repayment Program (LRP) in fiscal year (FY) 2024.

Annually, the IHS seeks feedback on a list of "Priority Categories" for inclusion in the IHS SP and the IHS LRP. For academic year 2024-2025 and FY 2024, the IHS SP and the IHS LRP, respectively, will be funding physicians, nurses, dentists, pharmacists, and optometrists. We are also asking IHS Areas to provide their feedback on additional health professions funding priorities.

Please send us your list of priorities on the enclosed spreadsheets. Please limit your submission to health professions for which you currently have full-time vacancies, or are anticipating full-time vacancies within the next year.

We would like to invite all Indian health programs to participate in this process to help determine the approved disciplines for the upcoming academic year and fiscal year selections. For more information on the IHS SP and IHS LRP, please visit our Web sites at www.ihs.gov/scholarship and www.ihs.gov/loanrepayment.

Please e-mail your health professions priorities by August 1, 2023, to Mr. Jeremy Sheehan at jeremy.sheehan@ihs.gov. If you have questions about the IHS SP, please contact CAPT Michael L. Bartholomew (IHS SP) by e-mail at michael.bartholomew@ihs.gov, or by telephone at (301) 443-2349. If you have questions about the IHS LRP, please contact Ms. Jackie Santiago (IHS LRP) by e-mail at jackie.santiago@ihs.gov, or by telephone at (301) 443-2486.

Sincerely yours,

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Enclosures: IHS Scholarship Program Academic Year 2024-2025 Priority Categories
IHS Loan Repayment Program Fiscal Year 2024 Priority Categories