

283—17.1(256) Definitions.

“Award” means the same as defined in Iowa Code section 256.222. The applicant will select the award type on the initial application and may change that choice if a request is provided to the commission in writing.

“Eligible applicant” means an individual who is an eligible health care professional or agrees to become an eligible health care professional, agrees to sign a program agreement, has not received an award under Iowa Code section 256.222(4) and agrees to complete the obligation. The eligible applicant completes applications on or before the date established by the commission.

1. The program agreement specifies the obligation and other details pertaining to the program.
2. The obligation is fulfilled by serving clients in eligible practice areas on a full-time basis for five consecutive years or on a part-time basis for seven consecutive years. Progression toward completion of the obligation is verified annually.

“Eligible health care professional” means the same as defined in Iowa Code section 256.222. The eligible health care professional must be licensed or board-certified to practice as an eligible health care professional before the obligation begins.

“Eligible practice area” means the same as defined in Iowa Code section 256.222. After an eligible applicant signs an agreement to practice in an eligible practice area, subsequent changes to eligible practice areas will not impact that applicant’s continued eligibility for the program.

“Part-time” means an average of at least 30 hours, but fewer than 40 hours, per week.

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