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Health professional shortage designation provider survey

Background: Throughout the U.S., there are geographic areas, populations, and facilities with too few primary care, dental and mental health providers and services. Health professional shortage areas (HPSA) and medically underserved areas/populations are designations that help prioritize and focus our resources to help meet the health care needs of medically underserved rural and urban areas of Louisiana. In conjunction with the Louisiana Primary Care Office, HRSA determines which of these should be “shortage designations” and are, therefore, eligible to receive certain federal resources. There are over 30 federal programs that use HPSA designations as a requirement for their programs, including the National Health Service Corps, Louisiana State Loan Repayment Program, State Conrad 30 Program (J-1 Visa Waivers), etc.

HPSA Provider Survey

If you are a primary care physician, mental health professional or dentist, please visit <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/RHGV55Q> to complete the *HPSA Provider Survey*.

What if I need assistance?

If you have questions about this communication or need assistance with any other item, contact your local Provider Relations representative or call Provider Services at **1-844-521-6942**.

<https://providers.healthybluelouisiana.com>

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