

2008-2009 Health and Human Services Programs Application

For students enrolled in: **Dental Medicine, Medicine, Nursing and Pharmacy**

Several excellent sources of funding are available to students in the above colleges from the federal Office of Health and Human Services. These funding sources include:

- **The Health Professions Loan (HPL) Program** offers loans to dental medicine, nursing, and pharmacy students needing financial assistance. The annual maximum is limited to tuition plus reasonable educational expenses. The interest rate is five (5%) percent. Repayment may be deferred during periods of residency.
- **Loans for Disadvantaged Students** are federal loans at 5% interest made to students enrolled in Medicine and Dental Medicine who meet the federal guidelines for being from a "disadvantaged background."
- **Primary Care Loans** are federal loans at 5% interest made to eligible medical students who agree to:
 - 1) enter and complete a residency training program in primary health care not later than four years after the date on which the borrower graduates from the institution; and
 - 2) practice primary health care through the date on which the loan is repaid in full, and to certify to the school on an annual basis that he/she is practicing in primary health care.

The annual maximum Primary Care Loan is limited to tuition plus reasonable educational expenses.

Important Note: With the exception of students in the College of Nursing, sources of funding from the federal Health and Human Services programs require that the "Parental Data" sections of the 2008-2009 **Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA)** or the **Renewal FAFSA** must be completed regardless of whether you are classified as a **DEPENDENT** student or an **INDEPENDENT** student for other types of federal financial aid. To be eligible for consideration for any of these funds, your parent(s) must provide the information on the 2008-2009 FAFSA for questions #56 - #89. Copies of your parent(s) 2007 federal tax forms (or Non-Filing Statements) must also be submitted to the MUSC Office of Financial Aid Services.

Application Procedure: To indicate your interest in applying for one or more of these programs, please complete the information below and return the top copy to the MUSC Offices of Student Financial Aid Services at soon as possible (funding is limited)

College. (Please check one:)

Dental Medicine Medicine Nursing Pharmacy

Student's Name -Required-SSN/PVID/CollegeNet ID -Required-

Please check the appropriate blanks below if you are interested in being considered for one or more of the HHS programs (check **all** that apply):

- Health Professions Loan (Dental Medicine, Nursing, Pharmacy)
- Loans for Disadvantaged Students (Dental Medicine and Medicine)
- Primary Care Loans (Medicine)

