

## **97931.02 Guidelines for Selection of Applicants**

### **(a)**

The program shall give each applicant who meets one of the threshold criteria listed in Section 128553(c) of the code one point for each of those criteria that the applicant meets and one point for each of the following criteria that the applicant meets (except that it shall give an applicant two points for speaking a Medi-Cal threshold language and two points for having received significant training in culturally and linguistically appropriate service delivery): (1) Speaks more than one Medi-Cal threshold language, as defined in Section 128552(d) of the code (one point for each additional language that is spoken by the population served by the clinic(s) at which the applicant will be providing services). (2) Has experience in a medically related health field in a medically underserved area (one point for each year). (3) Is not participating in any other educational loan repayment program at the time of application. (4) Is board-certified in a specialty. (5) Is board-certified in a primary care specialty identified in Section 128552(j) of the code. (6) Graduated from a medical school where the primary language of instruction was in a Medi-Cal threshold language, as defined in Section 128552(d) of the code, that is spoken by the population served by the clinic(s) at which the applicant will be providing services. (7) Completed a medical exchange program during medical school or postgraduate training in which the applicant provided services to a population that speaks any Medi-Cal threshold language, as defined in Section 128552(d) of the

code. (8) Completed a fellowship in culturally appropriate service delivery. (9) Completed a fellowship in one of the primary specialties identified in Section 128552(j) of the code. (10) Will be providing medical services at multiple practice settings, each of which meets the criteria contained in Section 128552(i) of the code.

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Is not participating in any other educational loan repayment program at the time of application.

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Is board-certified in a specialty.

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Is board-certified in a primary care specialty identified in Section 128552(j) of the code.

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Graduated from a medical school where the primary language of instruction was in a Medi-Cal threshold language, as defined in Section 128552(d) of the code, that is spoken by the population served by the clinic(s) at which the applicant will be providing services.

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Completed a medical exchange program during medical school or postgraduate training

in which the applicant provided services to a population that speaks any Medi-Cal threshold language, as defined in Section 128552(d) of the code.

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**(b)**

The number of points that an applicant receives shall not be the determinative factor in selecting physicians to participate in the program. The program shall consider providing priority consideration to applicants who, in its sole discretion, are best suited to meet the cultural and linguistic needs and demands of patients from medically underserved populations dispersed throughout California.