## HEALTH AFFAIRS

## THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

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MEMORANDUM FOR ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE ARMY (M&RA)
ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE NAVY (M&RA)
ASSISTANT SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE (MRAI&E)

SUBJECT: Policy for Increase in the Maximum Annual Amount Paid Under the Health Professions Loan Repayment Program for Fiscal Year 2002

Effective October 1, 2001, the maximum annual amount that the Secretary of the Military Department concerned, or designee, may pay on behalf of a Health Professions Loan Repayment Program participant shall be increased from \$24,240 to \$25,173.

Section 2173(e)(2), Title 10, United States Code, requires the Secretary of Defense to increase the amount of the maximum annual loan repayment on October 1<sup>st</sup> of each year by the percentage equal to the percent increase in the average annual cost of educational expenses and stipend costs of a single scholarship under the Armed Forces Health Professions Scholarship and Financial Assistance Program.

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