

**76-386. Same; postponement and satisfaction of service obligation, when.** (a) An obligation to engage in the practice of medicine and surgery in accordance with an agreement under this act shall be postponed: (1) During any required period of active military service; (2) during any period of service as a part of volunteers in service to America (VISTA); (3) during any period of service in the peace corps; (4) during any period of service commitment to the United States public health service; (5) during any period of religious missionary work conducted by an organization exempt from tax under subsection (c) of section 501 of the federal internal revenue code of 1986; or (6) during any period of temporary medical disability during which the person obligated is unable because of such medical disability to practice medicine and surgery. Except for clause (6) of this subsection (a), an obligation to engage in the practice of medicine and surgery in accordance with an agreement under this act shall not be postponed more than five years from the time the practice of medicine and surgery was to have been commenced under any such agreement. An obligation to engage in the practice of medicine and surgery in accordance with an agreement under this act shall be postponed under clause (6) of this subsection (a) during the period of time the medical disability exists.

(b) An obligation to engage in the practice of medicine and surgery in accordance with an agreement under this act shall be satisfied: (1) If the obligation to engage in the practice of medicine and surgery in accordance with an agreement under this act has been completed, (2) if the person obligated dies, or (3) if, because of permanent physical disability, the person obligated is unable to practice medicine and surgery.

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