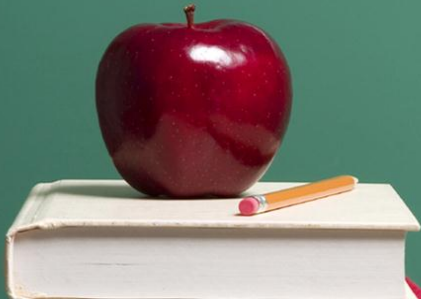


Scholarship 2012



A scholarship created to support and recognize an employee of an HCA member who is furthering their career in home health through continuing education.

Who is eligible to apply?

- Any staff person who is currently employed by a member agency of the Home Care Association of New York State (HCA), and:
 - desires to pursue a career in home health at any level.
 - can show acceptance by or is currently enrolled in a school or continuing education program that offers courses or a curriculum to assist the student in their education endeavors.
 - is nominated for the scholarship by the administrator or executive officer of his/her employer.

What is the amount of the scholarship?

- For 2012, the Scholarship will be a minimum of \$500. Scholarship contributions are supplied through advertising dollars in HCA Education and Research's education newsletter, *The Educator* and HCA. Depending on funding, more than one applicant may receive a scholarship and/or the award may be greater than \$500
- The scholarship will be payable directly to the student as reimbursement as verified by proof of payment/receipts.
- The scholarship may be applied only to tuition, books and related educational expenses.

What is the selection criteria?

- A staff member's desire to further their education in home health care.
- Worthiness of the applicant as indicated by the nominator's statement.

What is the time line for the scholarship?

- Applications must be received by April 10.
- Selection will be determined by HCA's Education Committee and the recipient(s) notified immediately.

Public announcement of the award will be made at the HCA Annual Membership Conference in Saratoga Springs, NY on Wednesday, May 9. The recipient (and one guest) will be invited to the HCA Annual Awards dinner for recognition and receipt of the award. (Travel and hotel expenses are the responsibility of the recipient or their employer).

Questions? Contact Lynda Schoonbeek at (518) 810-0656 or by e-mail at Lschoonbeek@hcanys.org

Deadline: April 10

The HCA Education and Research Scholarship 2012 has been established to encourage staff at any level to pursue furthering their career in home health care. The scholarship's purpose is to increase the quality of care to the patients served at home and support and encourage staff to follow this rewarding career path.

Applicant's Name: _____

Title _____

Agency: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Scholarship applicant is currently enrolled or has been accepted to: (name the school or program). _____

Please include the degree or certificate you are aiming to achieve: _____

School term and year for which this application is made: (check one)

Spring 2012 Fall 2012

Have you applied for or received other financial assistance including employer contributions?

No Yes

If yes, please circle type and enter the dollar amount of assistance:

_____ Student Loan Employer Reimbursement _____

_____ Scholarship or Grant Other: _____

Applicant's Narrative

The Narrative is limited to 150 words. Please submit on a separate sheet of paper and be sure to include your name, agency, and email address. Please answer the question: *"I would like to further my education in home health care because....."* The essay will be judged on career achievement(s), academic plans for the future and a strong desire to continue in the home health profession.



Deadline: April 10

Nominator's Statement

Nominator: _____
Administrator or Executive Officer – Print Name

Title: _____

Signature

Please include a brief paragraph on why this applicant should be considered for this scholarship.

Is the applicant's employment: _____ Full time _____ Part Time

Date of employment; _____

Application should include:

- Staff Member's Scholarship Application
- Applicant's narrative
- Nominator's statement in support of the scholarship application

Mail, fax or e-mail all materials together to:

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The 2012 Education Committee and HCA Staff will review all applications and select a scholarship recipient by April 23, 2012.

