



West Holt Medical Services Foundation

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SCHOLARSHIP GUIDELINES

Application Deadline: April 15 and November 15

Application is available for download at www.westholtmed.org on the Foundation tab.

1. **PURPOSE:** To provide financial assistance and educational opportunities to students who are pursuing a course of study in the medical or allied-health field and, further, to encourage students to return to the West Holt Medical Services' service area upon completion of studies to advance the health care of patients in the West Holt Medical Services' service area.
2. **DEFINITION:** Definitions
 - A. Eligible school: A school or program which provides a course of study leading to a degree or a certificate in medicine, nursing, anesthesia, physical therapy, pharmacy, physicians assistant, respiratory therapy, medical technician, laboratory technician, radiology technician, or other related areas of study in the medical or allied health field.
 - B. Eligible student: Individual enrolled in or accepted for enrollment in an eligible school in pursuing a course of study in one or more of the fields set forth in paragraph 3.A, which constitutes a full or part time academic work load as determined by the eligible school.
 - C. Recipient: Eligible student who is awarded a scholarship by the Board of Directors of West Holt Medical Services Foundation.
 - D. West Holt Medical Services Foundation Scholarship Fund: All principal amounts of money, funds, or property of every kind and nature contributed, donated, applied to, or deposited in the West Holt Medical Services Foundation Scholarship Fund held by the West Holt Medical Services Foundation.
3. **ADMINISTRATION OF SCHOLARSHIPS**

Applications submitted by students will be reviewed by members of the scholarship committee which members shall be appointed by the West Holt Medical Services Foundation Board of Directors. The scholarship committee need not be comprised only of members of the local West Holt Medical Services Foundation Board of Directors. The scholarship committee shall make recommendations to the Board of Directors of the West Holt Medical Services Foundation; however, final approval of recipients shall be made by the West Holt Medical Services Foundation Board of Directors.
4. **SOURCE OF FUNDS:**

The scholarship fund shall be funded from any gifts, bequests of real or personal property, or from any other sources not previously designated, or any funds which may be transferred to the scholarship fund.
5. **THE AMOUNT OF SCHOLARSHIPS-NUMBER OF RECIPIENTS:**

The amount of funds available to be awarded as scholarships shall be determined by West Holt Medical Services Foundation Board of Directors at the beginning of each year as is determined necessary. The number of scholarships and the amount of each scholarship will be determined by West Holt Medical Services Foundation Board of Directors after having received the recommendation of the scholarship committee. The Board is under no obligation to award a scholarship each year.
6. **SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS:**

The scholarship shall be awarded to an eligible student per academic semester; however recipients may submit renewal applications annually. The scholarships shall be awarded in the form of a check or draft made payable to the financial aid department of the school the recipient is attending or institution providing the schooling. The scholarship funds must be first applied to tuition, fees, room, board, books, tools, and supplies.
7. **PREFERENCES:**

In the awarding of the scholarships, the Scholarship Committee and the Board of Directors of the West Holt Medical Services Foundation, may consider and prefer applicants based on the following criteria:

 - A. Applicants who reside in the West Holt Medical Services' service area.
 - B. Applicants who demonstrate an interest, aptitude, and readiness for study in the medical or health related fields.
 - C. Applicants who demonstrate a desire to return for employment in the West Holt Medical Services' service area after receiving their degree or certificate.
8. **DISCRIMINATION:**

No scholarship shall be awarded with regard to an individual's race, color, national origin, creed, sex, religion or disability.
9. **THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE WEST HOLT MEDICAL SERVICES FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP FUND GUIDELINES MAY NOT BE ALTERED, OR AMENDED WITHOUT THE APPROVAL OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WEST HOLT MEDICAL SERVICES FOUNDATION.**

Approved by the Board of Directors 2/01/1986; Revised 12/01/2011

The mission of the West Holt Medical Services Foundation is to obtain, invest and distribute funds which will help advance and improve the quality of care in North Central Nebraska provided by West Holt Medical Services.