

## Battlefords Union Hospital Foundation Healthcare Scholarship

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Battlefords Union Hospital (BUH) Foundation is dedicated to the enhancement of patient care by acting as the main fundraising agency for BUH and Battlefords Region Home Care (BRHC). The Foundation supports BUH and BRHC in its endeavors to recruit and retain qualified medical staff. Therefore, BUH Foundation is pleased to offer two scholarships valued at \$500 (five hundred) each to students graduating from any of the three high schools in North Battleford, and who are intending on furthering their education in the healthcare field. The high schools are: North Battleford Comprehensive High School, John Paul II Collegiate, and Sakewew High School. Once a graduating student from one of the three high schools listed above has been selected no other applicants from that high school will be considered for that graduating year.

BUH Foundation will be offering to high schools in communities surrounding The Battlefords, that utilize BUH and BRHC services, two scholarships valued at \$500 (five hundred) each to two graduating students. These communities are: Cando, Cut Knife, Edam, Glaslyn, Hafford, Lashburn, Maidstone, Maymont, Medstead, Neilburg, Paradise Hill, Spiritwood, St Walburg, Turtleford, Unity, or Wilkie. Once a student from one of these high schools has been selected no other applicants from that high school will considered for that graduating year.

## Policy:

The Foundation's goal is to award applicants who intend to be employed at BUH & BRHC for at least one (1) year of full-time work following the completion of their healthcare course, and will sign an agreement that they understand that this scholarship is intended to support students who are willing to work at BUH and BRHC. The students will not be held to this understanding if there is not a position available at BUH or BRHC following their graduation.

The student must attend the post secondary institution for the first term and be registered for the next term prior to the scholarship funds being released. The scholarship funds will be released to the student at the start of the second term upon receipt of Confirmation of Enrollment and payment made in full to the educational institution.

If the student wishes to take one year off prior to entering the approved educational institution the funds will be held for one (1) year upon receipt of a letter to BUH Foundation indicating their intentions. The funds will be released to the student at the start of the second term upon receipt of confirmation of enrollment and payment made in full to the educational institution.

In the case of a student being put on a waiting list before they can enter their chosen career path, the Foundation will hold over funding for 3 years. However, the Foundation will make it compulsory for

the student to provide the Foundation with an update within two months of their two year anniversary of receiving the scholarship (graduation) to a maximum of four years providing recipient still intends to pursue their medical career.

## <u>Criteria</u>

- 1. Must be a graduate of Grade XII (current class)
- 2. Must have the intention to attend a government approved post secondary institution granting a certificate, diploma, or degree in a program related to practice in the health care field.
- 3. Must have the intention of being employed at BUH or BRHC for at least one (1) year fulltime, following completion of their healthcare course, and sign an agreement to that.

For the purpose of the scholarship, programs in the health care field will include the following categories:

- Registered Nursing diploma, degree or R.P.N
- Licensed Practical Nurse L.P.N.
- CCA (Certificate)
- Physiotherapy
- Dietitian
- CLXT (Combined Laboratory & X-ray Technician)
- Medicine (M.D.)
- Occupational Therapy
- Pharmacy
- Psychiatry
- Psychology
- Respiratory Technician
- 4. The Foundation relies heavily on volunteers and recognizes their importance. The number of community (not necessarily healthcare) volunteer hours donated by the student will also be considered.
- 5. The scholarship will not necessarily be awarded to the student with the highest marks.

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Suzanne Pruden-McIvor, Chair BUH Foundation Board of Directors Date: January 31st, 2022