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GRANDE PRAIRIE REGIONAL HOSPITAL FOUNDATION STRIVING FOR NURSING EXCELLENCE BURSARY

Background

The Grande Prairie & Area Nurses Committee will be awarding the *Striving for Nursing Excellence Bursary*. Bursaries range from \$500 to \$5,000, depending on the number of applicants. The Grande Prairie Regional Hospital Foundation Board of Trustees reserves the right to award as many or as few bursaries, based on the criteria and number of applicants. The Grande Prairie Regional Hospital Foundation Board of Trustees will award these bursaries to people engaged in fields of study within the nursing profession or nurses looking for continuing education. Priority will be balance between demonstrated need and professional development. A minimum of \$3,000.00 per year will be awarded and as the fund increases a maximum of \$5,000.00 may be awarded each year.

Criteria

The applicant must:

- Prove acceptance and enrolment in a licensed practical nursing, nursing, psychiatric nursing or nurse practitioner program
- Any practising nurse wanting to do continuing education.
- Demonstrate commitment and dedication to his/her work/education
- Show commitment and growth potential in his/her chosen profession
- Have attended a high school or has been a member in a community located within northwest Alberta for the last 5 years (see Appendix A NW AB Area map)
- provide a detailed budget to identify financial need (form available with the application).
- be prepared to sign a return for service agreement with Alberta Health Services for one year, *(if the region does not have a need for the applicant upon completion of their program, the return for service agreement may be waived)*

Application, **cover letter, resume, two (2) letters of reference, curriculum or course outline, grades of prior year's education and any supporting documents** which should set out how the candidate meets the above criteria must be **submitted by March 31st, 2020** to the above address, or email to info@supportyourhospital.ca . Click to download application.

Terms of Reference

This fund was established on May 10, 2019

- A. This new fund is being created through the fundraising efforts of the Grande Prairie & Area Nurses Committee
- B. The purpose of the fund will be to support funding of educational needs related to the nursing professional, inclusive of: applicants enrolled in an LPN, RN, RPN or NP program and who is from NW Alberta (see NW Alberta Area Map). Granting considerations will include those enrolled in programs as well as nursing health professionals engaging in education vis-a-vis courses, certificates and diplomas.
- C. If available, the Chair or alternate of the Grande Prairie & Area Nurses Committee would like to be part of the Bursary Committee
- D. Provide evidence verifying acceptance, enrolment and registration as outlined in Section B
- E. Be able to show financial need by providing a budget
- F. Applicant to have attended high school or has been a member in a community from NW Alberta (as per map) for the last 5 years.

Alberta Health Services North Zone Map

