

THAYER COUNTY HEALTH SERVICES HEALTHCARE SCHOLARSHIP INSTRUCTIONS

Thayer County Health Services
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The Foundation for Thayer County Health Services and the Thayer County Health Services Hospital Guild will award four \$500 healthcare scholarships annually. One of the four scholarships will be designated as the Carol Deepe Memorial Healthcare Scholarship, in recognition of the contributions she made to local healthcare. All applicants must be either a high school senior attending school in Thayer County or a non-traditional student, who is currently residing or working in Thayer County and enrolled or accepted into a healthcare program or college. Applications are open only to applicant pursuing a degree in a healthcare field.

The purpose of the scholarships is to provide financial assistance to eligible students or adults interested in a career in healthcare. Priority will be given to health care positions currently in existence and/or in demand at Thayer County Health Services. Recipients of these scholarships **ARE NOT** guaranteed employment at Thayer County Health Services upon completion of schooling.

TERMS

1. Four \$500 scholarships will be awarded annually. All eligible high school seniors, non-traditional students, prior applicants or previous recipients, who are currently enrolled in an accredited program or college, may submit an application.
2. Representatives of the scholarship committee will select the four recipients to receive a \$500 scholarship.
3. The \$500 scholarships will be paid directly to the financial aid office at the accredited school upon the start of the 1st semester. Student will need to send their information to Rita Luongo at rluongo@tchsne.org. School Name, Student Number, address for financial aid office where scholarship payment is to be sent.

ELIGIBILITY

1. Must be a 2020 graduate from a High School in Thayer County or an adult over the age of 18, currently residing or working in Thayer County.
2. Must be accepted or enrolled in a health care program or degree of study at an accredited school.
3. Applicants should list evidence of active participation or leadership in high school and/or their local community.

4. Application should list involvement in community services projects and any volunteer involvement with non-profit organizations in the local communities. Special consideration will be giving to students participating in activities associated with Thayer County Health Services or the organizations that support it; i.e. TCHS Hospital Guild and Foundation for TCHS.
5. Priority will be given to applicants interested in working at Thayer County Health Services or rural communities upon completion of schooling. **However this is not a guarantee of employment.**
6. Student must submit a copy of transcripts from High School and/or College. If transcripts from the student are not received by the April 1, 2020 deadline, the application will not be considered.
7. Must submit two letters of recommendations from non-family members. Preferably a teacher, supervisor or other mentor, who can attest to an applicant's character, leadership and community involvement. If letters of recommendations are coming directly from the references, they may be mailed directly to the Foundation for TCHS, attn.: Rita Luongo, 120 Park Avenue, Hebron NE 68370 or emailed to rluongo@tchsne.org. However, if both letters of recommendation are not received by April 1st, the application will be ineligible for consideration.
8. Must submit a completed application through the online application at <http://thayercountyhealth.com/healthcare-scholarships>. All supporting documentation must be uploaded to accompany the online submission or be mailed or emailed in by the April 1, 2020 deadline. Information being sent separately needs to be marked on the application.
9. If deemed necessary, applicants must be willing to come in for a personal interview.
10. Recipients of the 2020 TCHS Healthcare Scholarship will be invited to attend the Hospital Guild's meeting on May 27, 2020.

APPLICATION PROCESS

The online application must be submitted with all supporting documents unless they are being sent separately. All information being submitted separately must be clearly indicated on the application. A complete packet must be received on or before April 1, 2020. Any packet that is incomplete will not be considered.

SELECTION OF THE HEALTHCARE SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

1. The screening and selection of the scholarship recipients will be determined by the Selection Committee made up of members from the TCHS Hospital Guild, Foundation for TCHS Board of Directors, and TCHS Hospital Administration or appointed representative.
2. The Selection Committee will be responsible for reviewing all applications and selecting finalists.
3. Announcement of the recipients of the Healthcare Scholarships will be made by mail on or before May 1st, 2020.

NOTE *If you have any questions regarding this application, contact Rita Luongo, 402-768-4636 or rluongo@tchsne.org*