



Mississippi Nurses Foundation

Nurses Touch Lives

Betty Dickson Health Policy Scholarship

Purpose: To increase the number and quality of Registered Nurses trained in health policy at the state and national level.

Award amount: \$2,000.... Attend a national health policy meeting/conference. (Airline accommodations, if needed, hotel accommodations, conference cost, food and gratuity.) MNF will reimburse after all receipts have been received.

Example: Nursing in Washington Internship- Nursing Alliance

Deadline: January 13, 2017

Announcement Date: February 10, 2017

Expectations of Recipient:

- The recipient is expected to make a related presentation at a designated MNA conference within the year following the award.

Eligibility Requirements:

- Full, unrestricted license to practice as a RN in Mississippi
- Member of MNA
- Recent, active involvement in a professional nursing organization at the local, state, or national level

Application Process:

- Completed scholarship application [basic demographic info--name, address, email]
- Personal statement detailing the applicant's interest in and commitment to health policy and how they intend to pursue health policy within their career. This should be no more than 2 typed pages.
- Proposed national health policy meeting, including objectives.
- CV detailing both professional and extracurricular activities.

Selection Process:

- Recipients are selected based on expressed and demonstrated commitment to health policy, leadership, professional involvement, and long term career related to health policy.

The Selection Committee will evaluate the applications based on:

- Commitment to the field of health policy;
- Potential to contribute to health policy;
- Clear connection between the conference learning objectives and the reason for attending the conference;
- Quality of the essay (well-written, clear, and within the required length).