



Mississippi Nurses Foundation

Nurses Touch Lives

\$500 Lane-Ware Graduate Mental Health Nursing Scholarship



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Mrs. Irma Brinkley Lane and Dr. Sarah Mazique Ware are retired nurses with greater than 35 years' experience each. They met in the undergraduate nursing program at Alcorn State University and have worked together and kept in touch over the years. Lane and Ware value community service. They have been, and continue to be, involved in the health promotion and maintenance within their local and regional communities.

In light of the contemporary health care milieu, Lane and Ware also value the mental health of individuals, families, and communities. They recognize the increasing need for clinicians and scholars to embrace the psycho-social needs of others. The mental health impact of the Covid-19 pandemic and the growing attention to death and dying are challenges that need the attention of advance practice nurses.

Lane and Ware believe that much is to be known and done about the mental health care climate in our country. Advance practice nurses are in a pivotal position to study and influence the mental health outcomes of those persons impacted by contemporary health crises. Many will be affected for years to come. Lane and Ware created this scholarship to recognize and support advance practice nurses who advocate for the mental well-being of individuals, groups, and families in Mississippi communities.

Criteria:

- Enrolled in a graduate mental health nursing program in the state of Mississippi
- Official undergraduate and graduate nursing transcripts showing 3.5 GPA
- Current unencumbered license as RN in the state of Mississippi
- Evidence of community service
- Plans to continue community service
- Three letters of recommendation
- Two letters from faculty
- One letter from a person in the community
- The applicant must write a 300-to-350-word essay in APA format (7th edition):
 - "My Role in Impacting Mental Health in my Community"
- **Application and essay submitted by the deadline date – July 9, 2021**

Complete Application Must Include:

- Student information form;
- Essay;
- Letter from school verifying the student is enrolled and in good academic standing;
- Official Transcripts showing GPA of 3.5 or higher.