

# Women in Medicine Scholarship

## SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

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Women in Medicine Scholarship  
c/o Shasta Regional Community Foundation  
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Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
First Middle Initial Last

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Date/Place of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ S.S. # \_\_\_\_\_

G.P.A. \_\_\_\_\_ High School: \_\_\_\_\_ Graduation Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated College/University Fall 2010: \_\_\_\_\_

Current College/University (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

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### Scholarship Background

Like much of California, Shasta County has a great deficit of qualified professionals in the areas of primary medical and dental care including the specialties of pediatrics, family medicine, dentistry, family nurse practitioners and physicians assisting and yet there are many bright young people in our communities who are capable and with the proper education and encouragement could fill these positions. One of the great barriers for many of these young people in entering the medical field is the cost of higher education. The years of schooling required for these professions can be cost prohibitive and intimidating. In addition, there also appears to be other barriers for bright and motivated young women from this region when it comes to going to medical or dental school and this scholarship is intended to be a help and encourage these women to pursue these professions.

Through the support of The California Endowment and in partnership with the Shasta Community Health Center, the Shasta Regional Community Foundation is offering this scholarship as an effort to enable Shasta County young women to achieve the education necessary so that they can one day return to our community and improve the health status of our rural population, particularly those who are otherwise disadvantaged.

# Women in Medicine Scholarship Information

## **Amount**

Up to ten scholarships will be awarded in the amount of \$3000 based on applications received. Recipients must be attending a 4-year university or medical/dental school at the time they claim the scholarship and must claim it by January 31, 2011. Scholarship will be payable upon receipt of proof of full-time registration.

## **Who Can Apply?**

Female graduating seniors from Shasta County high schools (public, private or home school), and Female students enrolled at a 4-year university or medical school who graduated from a Shasta County High School (public, private or home schooled), these students do not have to currently reside in Shasta County.

Applicants should be planning a career in one of the following areas: Pediatrics, Family Medicine, Dentistry, Family Nurse Practitioner and Physicians Assistants. Students will have maintained at least a 3.5 GPA during the last year of school (high school or college). Students must attend a 4-year university or medical/dental school in fall 2010. Selection criteria for this scholarship will include community service as a factor.

## **Process**

Applicants are to write a short essay (two page maximum) answering the following question: Why do you want to pursue your chosen career and how does your involvement in the community reflect this?

Please include the following with your essay:

1. Cover letter
2. Academic Transcript
3. Up to three letters of recommendation: One letter from applicant's major teacher or counselor stating applicant's ability and performance in school, a description of the applicant's personal traits, character, personality, and goals (the letter is to be on school letterhead); and at least one additional letter from a health field employee who can attest to the applicants desire to enter one of the above professions.

## **DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION IS April 14, 2010.**

Applications will not be accepted if received after April 14.

Please Contact with Questions:

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