



Northern Regional Nurses Continuing Education Bursary

The Northern Regional Nurses Local established the **Sheryl Betnar Bursary and Scholarship Fund** to support eligible residents of Manitoba and Denare Beach and Creighton, Saskatchewan who are planning to begin or are currently pursuing education in a nursing-related program.

Sheryl Betnar was a dedicated and compassionate Licensed Practical Nurse who worked on the Medical/Surgical/Pediatric unit at Flin Flon General Hospital. She was also a long-standing activist with the Manitoba Nurses Union and served for many years as Worksite President in Flin Flon, Manitoba.

The Northern Regional Nurses Local Bursary and Scholarship Committee is a volunteer committee responsible for administering the fund. Committee members review applications and determine bursary recipients.

Each year, a total of \$500 in bursary funding is available to a maximum of one applicant from the Northern Region who is either beginning or actively enrolled in a nursing program. One recipient will be awarded \$500 annually, with funds distributed by November 30.

Award Benefits and Requirements

- Applicants must be residents of the Northern Health Region of Manitoba or Denare Beach and Creighton, Saskatchewan, and be enrolled in a nursing program (Bachelor of Nursing, Licensed Practical Nurse, or Registered Psychiatric Nurse) at a designated educational institution recognized by the CRA.
- Applicants may apply in any year of their nursing program, with a maximum request of \$500 per application, per year. Preference will be given to applicants who have not previously received bursary funding from the committee.

Application and Submission Requirements

- Applicants must complete and submit the application form, including their name, address, phone number, program of study (current or completed), amount of funding requested, and work history (if applicable).
- Applicants must also submit:
 - Proof of enrollment or acceptance into a nursing program (including the date of enrollment), and
 - Copies of tuition statements and/or receipts.
- Enrollment confirmation or proof of completion must be current and dated within 12 months of the application deadline. **Applications that do not include all required documentation will be considered incomplete and will not be eligible for review.**

Selection Process

- All complete applications that include the required documentation will be considered for a bursary of up to \$500.
- A selection committee will review applications and determine the recipient(s). All decisions are final, and only successful applicants will be notified.
- Funds will be issued by cheque from the Northern Regional Nurses Local after the committee has verified proof of enrollment or program completion following the annual deadline.
- Successful applicants must provide their Social Insurance Number (SIN) upon request, in accordance with CRA regulations.
- Recipients who withdraw from their program must notify the Northern Regional Nurses Local Executive within one week. Depending on the circumstances, full or partial repayment of the bursary funds may be required.

Applications can be forwarded to: northernregionalnursesmnu@gmail.com

NO LATE APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED. APPLICATION DEADLINE IS THE 3RD FRIDAY OF OCTOBER AT MIDNIGHT
Disbursement of funds to the successful applicant will be made by November 30.