Looking for Careers in Healthcare and Long-Term Care?



DID YOU KNOW... SCHOLARSHIP MONIES ARE AVAILABLE TO HELP ADVANCE YOUR HEALTHCARE CAREER?



MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES (DHS)

NURSING FACILITY (NF) EMPLOYEE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

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- Provides employees of <u>participating</u> nursing facilities (NFs) education/training in the field of Long-Term Care and/or advancement within the facility
- Goal: To expand the Long-Term Care workforce and help NFs recruit and retain qualified employees

How is the program funded ?

Added to the facility's rates

 Facility must complete required annual reporting

WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR SCHOLARSHIP MONEY?

 Employees that work an average of 10 hours per week in a *participating* Nursing Facility

*Administrators are not eligible to participate.). **Some exceptions to the work requirement

What types of education are *allowable* ?

- A course of study expected to lead to career advancement within the NF <u>or</u> within the field of Long-Term Care
- Medical care interpreter services/ESL
- Social work
- Therapy
- Adult Basic Education (ABE)(w/limits)

What expenses are allowable?

- Tuition
- Books
- Required fees
- Required supplies (within limits)
- Transportation (within limits)
- Day care (within limits)
- Limited Student Loan reimbursement

What about CNA programs?

- Covered costs are paid under the scholarship program
 - CNA reimbursement for covered costs <u>must</u> be provided by the nursing facility (regardless of whether the nursing participates in the scholarship program)
 - **DHS Nursing Facility Employee Scholarship Program**

CNA Program

What is a covered cost* ?

Tuition & required books

• Required fees & supplies (limits)

• Transportation (within limits)

One uniform & a pair of shoes

(*Costs must be "reasonable")

CNA Program Other Costs

- Other reasonable costs, as allowed or required by the Department (DHS)
- Other allowable costs, at the discretion of the facility

CNA Program

- CNAs are <u>not</u> subject to the 10 hr/week work average requirement
- Student must provide actual receipts when requesting reimbursement from the facility
- CNAs cannot receive reimbursement for expenses already covered by 3rd party entities

IMPORTANT CAVEATS !

The program covers <u>only</u> Medicaid-certified Nursing Facilities

The program is administered by the facility (they can develop some of their own policies)

It is a voluntary program (facilities are not obligated to participate)

HOW DO I KNOW WHETHER A FACILITY PARTICIPATES IN THE DHS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM?

CHECK WITH THE NURSING FACILITY HUMAN RESOURCES (HR) DEPARTMENT !

PROGRAM INFORMATION (FOR STUDENTS/EMPLOYEES <u>OR PROSPECTIVE</u> STUDENTS/EMPLOYEES

Contact the Facility Human Resources (HR) Department

<u>and</u>:

https://mn.gov/dhs/partners-and-providers/policiesprocedures/nursing-homes/index/mn-nursing-facilityemployee-scholarship.jsp

PROGRAM INFORMATION (FOR CNA TRAINING AND TESTING SITES)

Contact the Nursing Facility Human Resources (HR) Department

<u>OR</u>

Munna Yasiri MN Department of Human Services (DHS) (651) 431-2264 munna.yasiri@state.mn.us

PROGRAM INFORMATION (FOR NURSING FACILITIES)

DHS Web Page: <u>https://mn.gov/dhs/partners-and-providers/policies-</u> <u>procedures/nursing-homes/</u>

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