Nursing and Allied Health Scholarship and Support Scheme:
Emergency Department Nurse Practitioner

Overview
The Nursing and Allied Health Scholarship and Support Scheme: Emergency Department Nurse Practitioner is funded by Australian Government Department of Health and administered by Australian College of Nursing (ACN). The scheme is an Australian Government initiative to support nurses working in an emergency department to undertake postgraduate studies leading to endorsement as a Nurse Practitioner.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander nurses are encouraged to apply.

Application dates
Applications are now closed. Notification of the outcome of applications to study in 2014 is expected in December 2013.

Value of scholarship
Scholarship recipients will receive $7,500 per semester for full time study or $3,750 for part time study up to a maximum scholarship value of $30,000. The level of funding provided is determined by the period of study required. These funds are intended to assist successful recipients in meeting the cost of their study.

Funding is only available for courses studied in Australia. These scholarships are not bonded.

Eligibility criteria
Applications will be considered from applicants who are:
• Australian citizens or permanent residents
• A registered nurse with current Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia (NMBA) registration
• Working in an emergency department
• Studying or intending to study a postgraduate nursing course at an Australian university or registered training organisation leading to endorsement as a nurse practitioner.

Eligibility requirements for New Zealand citizens.

Eligible courses
Funding is available for nurse practitioner studies leading to endorsement as a nurse practitioner. Click here to locate eligible courses accredited by NMBA.

Selection Criteria
These are competitive scholarships and will be awarded on the recommendation of a selection committee whose assessment will be based on how you address the following questions:
• The nurse practitioner program is a rigorous program. In order to successfully undertake the program you will need to consider workplace and professional support, mentors, your employer and your workplace. Describe the support mechanisms that are available to you, including people such as your mentor/s, your workplace, or your employer, to help you successfully complete the nurse practitioner program.
• Describe your commitment to your chosen area of health.

Important links
• Information on the impact of scholarships on Centrelink payments.
• Taxation implications of a scholarship.

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