Nursing and Allied Health Scholarship and Support Scheme: Nurse Re-entry

Overview
The Nursing and Allied Health Scholarship and Support Scheme: Nurse Re-entry is funded by the Australian Government Department of Health and administered by the Australian College of Nursing (ACN). The scheme is an Australian Government initiative to support nurses and midwives to re-enter the workforce.

Re-entering Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander nurses or midwives are encouraged to apply.

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

A further round of scholarships for activities undertaken between 1 January and December 2014 will open on 3 March 2014.

Value of scholarship
Maximum available funding is $6,000.

Eligibility criteria for Nurse Re-entry
Applicants must be:

• an Australian citizen or permanent resident
• an enrolled nurse, registered nurse or registered midwife whose registration with Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia (NMBA) has lapsed
• intending to participate in an accredited re-entry course, that will lead to re-registration with the NMBA.
• undertaking nurse re-entry course within the specified 12 month period.

In order to enrol in an accredited nurse re-entry course you must be eligible to re-register with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia.

If you are unsure of your eligibility to re-register, please contact the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia on 1300 419 495.

Eligibility requirements for New Zealand citizens.

Eligible courses
Scholarships will be awarded for nurse or midwife re-entry courses accredited by NMBA. Courses may be provided by Australian universities, TAFEs, registered training organisations or other providers within Australia. Click here to locate accredited nurse re-entry courses.

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 question.

• Describe how you plan to contribute to your area of health once you have re-registered.

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

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