

**The PCHD Foundation Women's Giving Circle
Medical Assistant Scholarship
Administered by
The Pacific Communities Health District Foundation**

Sponsor: The PCHD Foundation Women's Giving Circle

The Women's Giving Circle is a community within the Pacific Communities Health District Foundation that specifically supports the health and well-being of women and children within the scope of patient care provided by Samaritan Pacific Health Services. The PCHD Foundation's mission is to assist the Pacific Communities Health District, in partnership with Samaritan Pacific Health Services, in acquiring equipment, facilities, services, and education, enhancing the quality of medical care and health-related programs for the community. Each participant donates \$250 per year. Funds are pooled and grants are distributed annually to a variety of needs, including hospital equipment, scholarship, patient, education, and program support.

Award: The recipient will be awarded **up to** \$2,000 during the 2017-18 academic year, which will be issued upon proof of enrollment/acceptance in a medical assistant program at Oregon Coast Community College.

It is our hope that this program will bring dedicated health care professionals to our system and meet the growing needs in our communities in Lincoln County. This program offers financial assistance, with the expectation that upon completion of your certificate program you will apply within Samaritan Pacific Health Services (SPHS) for employment in Lincoln County and accept a position that applies to your certificate, if available and offered.

This award may be used for tuition, books and program fees. *This is for informational purposes only and not intended to be a contract.*

Purpose: The intent of this scholarship is to assist a resident from Lincoln County, Oregon:

1. To secure training in order to enter or re-enter the field of medical assistance.
2. Who is pursuing a career as a medical assistant.
3. Who has obligations in addition to those of providing for his/her education

Eligibility:

1. Submit a fully complete application and appear for an interview if requested
2. Must have a high school diploma or GED.
3. Applicant must enroll in the medical assistant program at Oregon Coast Community College the year of the award
4. Must be a U.S. citizen and a resident of Lincoln County for a minimum of one year
5. Must qualify as an older learner; recent high school graduates are not eligible
6. Successful applicant must sign an agreement to work within the SPHS system in Lincoln County for at least one year upon graduation if a position is available/offered.

How to Apply:

1. Obtain an application form from:
 - a. Pacific Communities Health District (PCHD) Foundation, umarinelli@samhealth.org or (541-574-1810) or www.samhealth.org/pchdf or
 - b. Oregon Coast Community College, Student Services, (541-867-8501)
2. Provide two letters of recommendation (Preferred Examples: An instructor, previous or current employer, and/or any individual who may have known you in a professional capacity.)
3. Provide a 250-word autobiography addressing your commitment, background, work ethic and desire to become a medical assistant.
4. Provide verification of acceptance to Oregon Coast Community College's Medical Assistant Program, including start date and expected date of completion.
5. Provide a copy of your applicable transcripts (previous college, high school transcript, or proof of GED).
6. Submit the application, recommendation letters, transcripts and verification of acceptance via mail to PCHD Foundation, 930 SW Abbey, Newport OR 97365, or e-mail to umarinelli@samhealth.org.
7. Deadline: July 31, 2017

Selection:

1. Applicant must show that his/her educational plan is specific to getting into the workforce within a one-year period.
2. Applicant may be asked to interview for the scholarship.
3. Final award selection will be made by a committee appointed by Samaritan Pacific Health Services.

Notification of Award: The successful applicant(s) will be notified no later than August 31, 2017 of his/her award for the year.

Applicants may choose one of the following options:

1. Receive reimbursement for tuition, books or fees.
 - a. Requires evidence of payments
2. Have payments made directly to the educational institution for tuition, books and/or fees.
 - a. Requires evidence of tuition billing
 - b. Requires evidence of passing ("C" or better) for each term

Attend a PCHD Foundation Women's Giving Circle event after graduation

1. Participants would like to meet scholarship recipients upon graduation. The Circle meets at the Center for Health Education in Newport in the spring and fall.

Changes to your address, name, or enrollment status: If any of the information on your application changes in the future, please be sure to contact the PCHD Foundation with the corrections. An inability to contact you due to neglect on your part or a change in school status could effect monetary payments.

Thank you and best of luck.

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Use a separate sheet of paper to provide complete answers if necessary.

Name: _____ Date: _____ Years in Lincoln County: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone: _____ E-mail: _____

Number of Dependents and Ages: _____

Education: High School? Yes ___ No ___ GED ___ Other? _____

Post Secondary Study/Training (Health Care Courses Completed) Degrees: _____

Training Desired: What? Where? How Long? _____

Estimated Expenses: _____

Estimated household income or support while attending school: _____

References: Lincoln County Residents Name & Address, Phone #, Hours to call:

1. _____

2. _____

Please follow the instructions outlined in "How to Apply" and mail your completed application to: The PCHD Foundation, 930 SW Abbey, Newport, OR 97365 or e-mail it to umarinelli@samhealth.org. Incomplete and late applications will not be considered.