National Black Nurses Association Announces 2019 Scholarship Recipients

The National Black Nurses Association is pleased to announce its 2019 Scholarship Recipients. “NBNA is pleased to award scholarships to 17 nurses and nursing students to help support their educational pursuits”, stated Eric J. Williams, DNP, RN, CNE, FAAN, NBNA President. “We are delighted to help nurses at all levels, LPN to doctoral candidates, with financial support of $1000 to $5000, based on scholastic achievement, financial need, social justice acumen and research endeavors.”

The awards will be given on Saturday, July 27, 2019, 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m., during the Awards and Scholarship Ceremony, which is part of the 47th Annual NBNA Institute and Conference, July 23-28, 2019, Hilton Riverside New Orleans Hotel, New Orleans, LA.

The theme of the conference is “Advancing Nursing Practice: Innovation, Access and Health Equity”. NBNA is expecting 1000 nurses and student nurses to attend the conference. NBNA is comprised of nurses at all levels, from LPNs to doctorally prepared nurses; bedside clinicians, chief nursing officers, deans of schools of nursing, researchers, academicians, case managers and entrepreneurs.

DR. LAURANNE SAMS SCHOLARSHIP - $1000 Each

The Dr. Lauranne Sams Scholarship is awarded to a qualified NBNA member based on scholastic achievement, financial need and community service and who is in pursuit of a baccalaureate or other advanced nursing degree. The scholarship, which is named for the Founder and First President of the NBNA, has a proud and distinguished legacy. The recipient must be an individual who truly represents the leadership, the commitment to service and the scholarship of Dr. Sams.

Amber N. Black, RN, BSN
Ohio University
School of Nursing
Athens, OH
Cleveland Council of Black Nurses
Charis Jean Allen  
Carlow University  
School of Nursing  
Pittsburgh, PA  
Pittsburgh Black Nurses in Action  

Loryn E. Jamison, BSN, RN, CEN, CCRN  
The University of Southern Mississippi  
School of Nursing – Nurse Anesthesia Program  
Hattiesburg, MS  
Direct Member  

Debbie Scott, MSN, MPH, FNP-BC  
Drexel University  
College of Nursing and Health Professions  
Philadelphia, PA  
Greater New York City Black Nurses Association  

**NBNA BOARD OF DIRECTORS SCHOLARSHIP, $1500**  
*To support a qualified NBNA member in pursuit of a baccalaureate or advanced nursing degree.*  

Alexandra Maye, BA, RN  
Drexel University  
College of Nursing and Health Professions  
Philadelphia, PA  
Northern New Jersey Black Nurses Association  

**LYNNE EDWARDS RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIP, $5000 Each**  
*The scholarship is sponsored by Dr. Linda Burns-Bolton, NBNA Past President. Dr. Burns-Bolton is a trustee of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. The Foundation contributes to the scholarship as part of the matching gift program. The scholarship is in honor of the mother of Dr. Burns-Bolton, Mrs. Lynne Edwards. The scholarship is for a nurse pursuing a PhD. The candidates must be able to attend the NBNA Conference.*  

Angela Adjetey Appiah, MSN, MPH, MA, RN, FAACM  
Pace University  
Lienhard School of Nursing  
Pleasantville, NY  
Greater New York City Black Nurses Association  

Jade M. Chatman, BSN, RN  
University of Louisville  
School of Nursing  
Louisville, KY  
KYANNA Black Nurses Association of Louisville, KY  

**MARGARET PEMBERTON SCHOLARSHIP - $3000**  
*The Scholarship is provided by Margaret Pemberton, Member, Black Nurses Association of Greater Washington, DC Area, to a nursing student from the chapter in the conference’s host city. This is an endowed scholarship.*  

Kenyatta K. Trim  
Delgado Community College  
Charity School of Nursing  
New Orleans, LA  
New Orleans Black Nurses Association  

**RITA E. MILLER SCHOLARSHIP - $2500**  
*The scholarship is sponsored by Barbara Julian, Member, Council of Black Nurses, Los Angeles, in memory of Rita E. Miller, Department Chair, School of Nursing, Dillard University. The scholarship is for a BSN student attending a HBCU.*
VITAS HEALTHCARE/ESTHER COLLIFLOWER SCHOLARSHIP - $1000
The scholarship is sponsored by VITAS Healthcare to a nurse or student nurse who is interested in pursuing a career in end of life care.

Candray G. Rutledge
Samford University
School of Nursing
Homewood, AL
Birmingham Black Nurses Association

CHILDREN'S MERCY KANSAS CITY - $1000
The scholarship is sponsored by Children’s Mercy Kansas City to a nurse or student nurse who is interested in pursuing a career in pediatric nursing.

Lauren T. Smith
Bevill State Community College
Department of Nursing
Sumiton, AL
Birmingham Black Nurses Association

GEORGE E. MCGUIRE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP - $5000
The George McGuire Memorial Scholarship for a nursing student whose focus is social justice. The candidate must be a nursing doctoral student or a nursing student in a master’s program of study. The candidate must be a NBNA member for at least two years; must have completed at least one full semester/quarter in a graduate program; and, must have at least one full semester/quarter to go to complete the program of study.

Social Justice is not charity. Social justice is a virtue in which there is an organized, collaborative and interprofessional relationship among professionals that facilitates access to that which is good for all of society. It embodies all those factors which influence social determinants of health for all members of society.

When referencing to nursing...the profession of nursing and those entrusted as professional nurses...have a responsibility to continually work with others so that healthcare access and positive health outcomes are achieved for all of society. An evidence based strategy is to include service learning as a means of introducing components of social justice through student engagement in services projects.

This is an endowed scholarship.

Sandy N. Cayo, DNP, FNP-BC
Duquesne University
School of Nursing
Pittsburgh, PA
Greater New York City Black Nurses Association

DR. MARTHA DAWSON GENESIS SCHOLARSHIP - $1000
The Scholarship is provided by Dr. Martha A. Dawson, Member, Birmingham Black Nurses Association. The Law of Legacy states, “True success is measured by succession.” This scholarship is to support nurse leaders to continue their growth and development through formal education at the master’s and/or doctorate levels. Candidate may be an RN seeking master’s, DNP, PhD in leadership or EdD who are pursuing a role in leadership or administration.

Lucille Woodard, MA, BSN, RN-C
Walden University
School of Nursing
Minneapolis, MN
Acadiana Black Nurses Association
MARTHA R. DUDLEY LPN SCHOLARSHIP - $1000
The scholarship is funded by Maria Dudley, Member, Council of Black Nurses, Los Angeles, in honor of her Mother Martha Dudley, for a LPN pursuing a RN degree.

Santarora King, LPN
Lawson State Community College
Department of Health Professions
Birmingham, AL
Birmingham Black Nurses Association

LOLA DENISE JEFFERSON SCHOLARSHIP - $1,000
This scholarship is funded by friends of Lola Denise Jefferson in her honor and is to support a generic BSN student who is pursuing a nursing degree right out of high school. The scholarship is sponsored by NBNA First Vice President, Lola Denise Jefferson.

Aisha Rivers
Mercer University Georgia Baptist College of Nursing
Atlanta, GA
Atlanta Black Nurses Association

DR. BIRTHALE ARCHIE – SON, JERRY ALLYN MOORE SCHOLARSHIP - $1000
The scholarship is provided by Dr. Birthale Archie in memory of her son Jerry Allyn Moore. The scholarship is awarded to a qualified NBNA member based on scholastic achievement who is in pursuit of a baccalaureate, master’s or doctorate degree who is attending a Historically Black College or University.

Sade S. Martin
Howard University
College of Nursing and Allied Health
Washington, DC
Black Nurses Association of Greater Washington, DC Area

IONA PRINCESS PIERRE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP, $1000
The scholarship is sponsored by Joan Pierre, President, NBNA: Northern Virginia Chapter in memory of her daughter Iona Princess Pierre.

Nekea A. Smith, BA
Emory University
Nell Hodgson Woodruff School of Nursing
Atlanta, GA
Emory University Black Nurses Association

The NBNA mission is “to serve as the voice for Black nurses and diverse populations ensuring equal access to professional development, promoting educational opportunities and improving health”.