



The purpose of the scholarship fund is to support the advancement of school nursing practice in Minnesota. The fund was established in 2003 to assist members to further their education and professional development.

**APPLICANT REQUIREMENTS:**

1. Current and active membership in SNOM/NASN
2. Current license/certification as a RN, PHN and Licensed School Nurse in Minnesota
3. Current employment as a school nurse
4. Acceptance in an advanced level education, training or graduate program relating to some aspect of school nursing or pediatric care
5. Documentation of objective to become a Nationally Certificated School Nurse by the National Board for Certification of School Nurses

**APPLICANT RESPONSIBILITIES:**

1. Complete the SNOM scholarship application page.
2. Include a copy of three nursing licenses: MN RN license, PHN certification, and LSN license.
3. Written verification of current employment as a MN school nurse. Verification may be from your direct supervisor or district human resources department.
4. Written submission of the four statements using no more than one side of an 8x11 page.

**JUDGING:**

Scholarships will be rated on the following criteria:

- A. How my educational goals relate to some aspect of school nursing or pediatric care (15 %).
- B. How the advanced training/education or certification will benefit my school nursing practice (60 %).
- C. How the education will impact my school, community, at risk or underserved groups (12.5 %).
- D. How the advanced education/training will contribute to SNOM & other LSNs (12.5%).

Additional considerations:

- E. The applicant's ability to briefly and concisely respond to the four statements on the application.
- F. Candidates must demonstrate a quality school nursing practice.
- G. Scholarships will not be awarded if a qualified candidate(s) is not identified.
- H. The decision of the Scholarship Award Committee will be final and not open to appeal.

**AWARD INFORMATION:**

1. Single or multiple awards may be given each year. The maximum total award(s) per year will be \$1,500.
2. Application for the NCSN certification will be a one-time reimbursement per member for the initial NCSN test fees, on-line practice test, and study materials. Member must submit a SNOM application and intention to take the exam with the expected completion date. Invoices must be submitted to the Treasurer for reimbursement within six months of certification.
3. Recipient's name(s) will be announced at a SNOM Board meeting by the SNOM President. The recipient(s) will be recognized at the Fall SNOM Awards Conference.
4. Recipient(s) will submit a written report back to the award committee in one year and submit a final written report at the end of the certificate or graduate program.
5. Recipient(s) will label any article or product produced as "funded in part by SNOM".

**APPLICATION INFORMATION:**

Applications and supporting documentation must be sent to the current SNOM President, attention: SNOM Scholarship Committee.

All questions must be directed to the current SNOM Past President or Treasurer.