Benefis Health System Foundation
Deborah A. Wilson Memorial Nursing Scholarship

Benefis Health System Foundation’s Deborah A. Wilson Memorial Nursing Scholarship was created in memory of Deborah A. Wilson, a longtime Oncology Nurse Practitioner who was an employee of Benefis Health System. Scholarships are offered to registered nurses pursuing a Masters or Doctorate Degree, with a preferred emphasis in Oncology. Physician Assistants who want to advance in oncology as a specialty also may apply.

GOALS
♦ To improve recruitment and retention of health care related professionals to better serve our patients and their families.
♦ To provide access to educational programs that will provide specific skill sets.
♦ To provide financial assistance to students pursuing higher education.

SCHOLARSHIP OVERVIEW
Benefis Health System Foundation provides a scholarship opportunity for current RN’s with the desire to obtain or advance in healthcare education. The Deborah A. Wilson Memorial Nursing Scholarship provides up to $2,500 per semester for recipients who meet eligibility requirements. Awardees are chosen based on eligibility requirements through a Scholarship Selection Committee. Scholarships are administered by Benefis Health System Foundation and provide for books and tuition only.

ELIGIBILITY
▪ Applicants must have been accepted into an accredited program and be pursuing advanced education.
▪ Applicant must be in good academic standing with a Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.75 or higher, if study occurred within the last five (5) years.
▪ Applicant must maintain a 2.75 Grade Point Average.
▪ Applicant must take a minimum of nine (9) credits per semester.
▪ Applicant may be requested to participate in a personal interview with the Scholarship Selection Committee.
GENERAL INFORMATION AND APPLICATION PROCESS

Applications are available through Benefis Health System Foundation. Direct all questions regarding the application process to Benefis Health System Foundation, Scholarship Program at 455-5840 or you may access the web site at www.benefisfoundation.org. Completed applications must be submitted by either mailing to Benefis Health System Foundation, PO Box 7008, Great Falls, MT 59406-7008 or delivering to 1101 26th St S, South Tower, Benefis Health System Foundation office, Great Falls, MT.

Application Deadline Is: June 1st

Applicants must submit the following criteria:

- Completed application form by designated deadline.
- A copy of the letter of acceptance into a certified healthcare program or college.
- Copy of transcripts reflecting a GPA of 2.75 from the last two years of academic study, if study occurred within the last five (5) years.
- Two letters of recommendation (see application.)
- A letter stating reasons for pursuing your field of study.
- A written statement of financial need.
- Completed Consent and Disclosure form.

Scholarship funding is renewable. A renewable application must be completed and submitted along with grade documentation by June 1st for fall and spring renewals.