



ABORIGINAL STUDENT SUPPORT (SCHOLARSHIP) PROGRAM

ABOUT NALHN

The Northern Adelaide Local Health Network (NALHN) delivers a range of hospital, community, home-based and virtual services within the northern and north-eastern suburbs of Adelaide. Our sites include Lyell McEwin Hospital, Modbury Hospital and Watto Purrunga Aboriginal Primary Health Care Service, which also has sites in north-western Adelaide.

WHAT IS THE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

A scholarship is a form of financial assistance awarded to students for further education. The financial support assists with cost of living and study expenses including, but not limited to, technology, stationery, textbooks, enrolment fees, memberships and transport.

At NALHN, we are passionate about supporting our mob through opportunities for financial support and professional development whilst studying a Certificate, Diploma or Bachelor degree in disciplines NALHN employ, including:

- Nursing and Midwifery
- Medicine
- Allied Health
- Health Sciences
- Hospitality, Hotel and Food Services
- Aboriginal Health Practitioner
- Aboriginal Maternal Infant Care
- Administration
- Information Technology
- Research and Project Management

NALHN's Aboriginal Student Support (Scholarship) Program are awarded annually in the sum of up to \$10,000 per student, paid in equal fortnightly payments as a study allowance over a twelve-month period, paid directly to the student.

WHAT IS INVOLVED

Students awarded a scholarship will be provided with opportunities to:

- Engage in study or clinical placements within NALHN where appropriate and where there is valuable opportunity for both the student and NALHN.
- Register for paid casual employment opportunities to supplement the student's income, where appropriate this will be relevant to their field of study as well as their level of experience, to provide a means of additional income as well as supporting employment pathways beyond study. Casual pools include administration, medical scribing, hotel services, Assistant in Nursing and Aboriginal Hostel.
- Participate in the NALHN "*Deadly Team. Deadly Communities.*" Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander employee network.
- Partner with NALHN staff in the Aboriginal Peer Support Program.
- Be a student ambassador for NALHN Aboriginal Health at community and career events.



CRITERIA

To be eligible for a NALHN Aboriginal Student Support Program Scholarship, students must:

- Identify as Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander and be accepted as such by the community in which they have lived and provide Confirmation of Aboriginality from an approved Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander organisation.
- Be currently enrolled in formal study, or commencing the process to enrol in study and can provide evidence of enrolment prior to offer of scholarship.
- Be prepared to sign a Scholarship Request for Financial Assistance Agreement at the commencement of the program, including:
 - ◇ Requirement to submit copies of status of academic transcripts as they become available throughout the duration of the program agreement.
 - ◇ Remain in the study and can provide evidence of attendance and completion of all required components.
 - ◇ Participate in a review of the scholarship at the discretion of NALHN.
- Not be an existing recipient of the SA Health Aboriginal Health Scholarship Program.
- Attend the Scholarship Ceremony in March 2024.
- Notify NALHN if they withdraw from the course, fail part of the course, make changes to study load, change any personal contact details or receive any other scholarship.

HOW TO APPLY

Please send a one-page expression of interest cover letter and resume to the NALHN Aboriginal Workforce Project Officer (details below) by COB Friday 9 February 2024.

Your cover letter should include details of past and present study, work experience, personal development, career path and involvement in Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander communities.

You must also disclose receipt of any other scholarship or grant for the same course of study.

It is recommended to provide your Confirmation of Aboriginality at the time of application however this can be accepted at a later date for successful applicants. Please note a scholarship cannot be awarded prior to receipt of this documentation.

WHO CAN I YARN TO

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DID YOU KNOW?

For more on NALHN's commitment to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Workforce initiatives please go to **Aboriginal workforce at NALHN** at sahealth.sa.gov.au/nalhn

