

Darlene Glantz Skees Memorial Nursing Scholarship

To honor his wife of 40 years, John Skees established the "Darlene Glantz Skees Memorial Nursing Scholarship" to provide several opportunities for undergraduate and post graduate students to advance their education. The fund enables persons actively delivering patient care the opportunity to obtain an Associate Degree in Nursing (ADN) or a Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing (BSN). It also provides the opportunity for a current Registered Nurse (RN) to obtain a BSN.

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In 2008 John and Sue Skees recognized the need for higher education in the ever demanding and evolving health care industry. The opportunity for a Skees scholarship now includes a Bachelor of Science Degree Nurse pursuing a Masters or Doctorate Degree in nursing with an emphasis on nursing education or nurse practitioner.

This scholarship, administered by Benefis Healthcare Foundation, provides for books and tuition up to \$2,500 per student per semester.

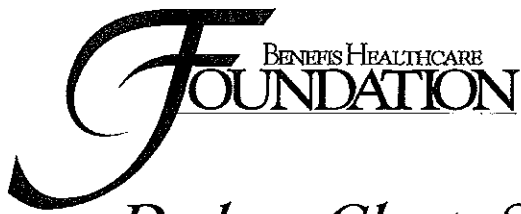
Applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Applicants for undergraduate degrees must be a current full time, part time or registry employee of Benefis Healthcare for at least one (1) year. Applicants for post graduate education do not have to be employees of Benefis Healthcare. All applicants must have a minimum of two (2) years healthcare experience.
- Applicant must pursue an Associate Degree, Bachelor of Science Degree, Masters or higher in Nursing and provide proof of acceptance to an accredited school.
- Applicant must take a minimum of nine (9) credits per semester. The Master's level requires a minimum of six (6) credits per semester.
- Applicant must maintain a 2.75 Grade Point Average (GPA)
- Applicant will be requested to participate in a personal interview with Selection Committee.
- Complete Consent and Disclosure form.

Scholarship funding is renewable. A renewable application must be completed and submitted along with grade documentation by May 15th for summer and fall renewals and October 1st for spring renewals.

**APPLICATION DEADLINES ARE:
May 15th and October 1st**

Completed applications must be submitted by mailing to Benefis Healthcare Foundation, Attn: Scholarship Program, PO Box 7008, Great Falls, MT 59406-7008 or deliver to 1101 26th St S, South Tower, Benefis Healthcare Foundation office, Great Falls, MT. For information call 455-5840 or access the website at www.benefisfoundation.org. Scholarships will be awarded upon availability and will be selected by the Healthcare Scholarship Selection Committee. Scholarship checks will be made payable to the accredited school.



Darlene Glantz Skees Memorial Nursing Scholarship Application

Full Name _____ Date _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____ E-Mail _____

Current Job Classification/Department _____

Employee ID number _____ Work Phone _____

Have you applied for a scholarship with us previously under another name? Yes No

If yes, what name(s) was it? _____

Have you ever been convicted of a felony? Yes No If yes, explain _____

What is the name of the facility you have been accepted to attend? _____

Name of program/degree _____ Semester applying for _____

Date program begins _____ Will you be a full-time or part-time student? _____

How many credits are you taking? _____ Anticipated date of graduation? _____
(9 credits are required or 6 credits for Master's level)

Employment History _____

Previous Education _____

Please include with this application:

- A brief description of why you are interested in pursuing an education in nursing, how you plan to attain this education and your associated goals.
- A letter of recommendation from your current manager.
- A letter of recommendation from a co-worker or personal acquaintance other than a relative.
- Most recent college transcript.
- Completed Consent and Disclosure form.
- A copy of the letter of acceptance into a certified healthcare program or college.

Omission of any of the above information may eliminate your application from consideration. All requested materials must be submitted with the application.

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