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Scholarship Application Open for Nurses Seeking Master's Degrees

Anchorum Continues Effort to Strengthen Regional Workforce Shortage

Santa Fe, NM — Applications are now open for the second year of a scholarship offered by Anchorum Health Foundation that helps nurses achieve Master of Science in Nursing (MSN) degrees. Nurses with MSNs play a vital role in filling gaps across northern New Mexico's healthcare system, especially in primary care and underserved communities.

"Expanding our advanced nursing workforce is one of the most meaningful ways we can strengthen health access across northern New Mexico," said Jerry Jones, President and CEO of Anchorum. "This scholarship removes financial barriers for nurses who want to grow in their careers and serve our communities. When we invest in local talent, we improve health outcomes and create a more resilient healthcare system."

The Anchorum Master of Science in Nursing Scholarship covers 90% of the annual program cost (up to \$18,000 a year). Applicants must reside in New Mexico and be pursuing a Master of Science in Nursing or have been accepted to a program. To maintain eligibility, scholarship recipients must maintain good standing in their program with a minimum 2.5 GPA required for renewal. Scholarship recipients must commit to applying their degree expertise in northern New Mexico, or a Tribal serving organization or clinic for a minimum of two years following degree completion.

Current scholarship recipient, Joseph Crumbacher, a student at New Mexico Highlands University pursuing his degree as a Family Nurse Practitioner, said the support has made a significant difference in his ability to continue graduate studies while working full-time. "I am sincerely grateful for the Foundation's investment in students and in the health of New Mexico communities," he said.

The New Mexico Foundation administers the scholarship and will be accepting applications. For more information and to apply, go to: [Anchorum Health Foundation Master's in Nursing Scholarship - New Mexico Foundation](#)



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“Hospitals and clinics across the region continue to face serious shortages of advanced practice nurses,” said Dr. Frantz Melio, Vice President of Health Strategies at Anchorum. “By supporting nurses who are ready to take the next step in their education, we are helping build a stronger, more stable workforce for the long term.”

The deadline to apply is March 31, 2026.

Anchorum Health Foundation is dedicated to improving the conditions that have the greatest influence on the health and people in our region. We are committing our resources to strengthening community-based partners tackling critical local issues. For more information, visit anchorum.org.

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