



January 15, 2019

RE: Instruction Letter for the Application Year 2019-2020

Dear Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in applying to the Native Hawaiian Health Scholarship/Papa Ola Lōkahi Program for the academic year 2019-2020.

Please review the 2019-2020 Application Program Guidance (APG) and 2019-2020 Application and Process Instructions carefully before you submit your application. All completed applications are to be submitted via the online google forms and supporting documents via e-mail to adminassist@nhhsp.org; no paper applications will be available or accepted. Please note that the deadline is **March 1, 2019**.

In order to apply for a Native Hawaiian Health Scholarship (NHHSP) award, **you MUST meet the following to be eligible:**

- (1) Provide the Native Hawaiian Scholarship Program with documents as evidence of your Native Hawaiian ancestry, in accordance with the Native Hawaiian Care Improvement Act, 42 U.S.C. 11709 and 11711 (3), applicants to the Native Hawaiian Health Scholarship Program (NHHSP) are to "Be of Native Hawaiian ancestry" and are required to provide NHHSP "... with evidence of genealogical records, Kupuna and Kama`aina verification or birth records of the State of Hawai`i."
- (2) Relocate to any island after your education and required licensure, to complete the mandatory service obligation component of the award
- (3) Free of other federal service obligation(s) to be completed in the future.
Applicants, except military reservists, who are already obligated to a Federal, State or other entity for professional practice or service after academic training are not eligible for Scholarship Program awards. An exception may be made if the obligating entity provides documentation that there is no potential conflict in fulfilling the service commitment to the Scholarship Program and that the Scholarship Program service commitment will be performed first.
- (4) Accepted or currently enrolled as a full-time student in a fully accredited health professions program beginning no later than September 30, 2019.

Should you meet the above eligibility, please complete the application packet and return as indicated in the instructions.

Upon receipt and review of application materials, eligible applicants will be contacted by telephone for a scholarship interview.

Should you have any questions and/comments please feel free to email us at adminassist@nhhsp.org or call the office at the phone number listed below.

Our office hours are from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday to Friday. We are closed on State and Federal holidays. You may leave a voice mail if you find it necessary to call after hours. Your voice mail will be answered on the next business day.

Mahalo,
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