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### National Black Nurses Association Announces 2020 Scholarship Recipients

The National Black Nurses Association is pleased to announce its 2020 Scholarship Recipients. “NBNA is pleased to award scholarships to 32 nurses and nursing students to help support their educational pursuits,” stated Martha A. Dawson, DNP, RN, FACHE, NBNA President. “We are delighted to help nurses at all levels, LPN to doctoral candidates, with financial support of \$1000 to \$5000, based on scholastic achievement, financial need, social justice acumen and research endeavors.” “Congratulations to the 32 NBNA scholarship awardees; this is a record number of awards. NBNA is awarding \$68,300 in scholarships. We are pleased to help nursing students pursue their education and help them on the right path for their nursing career,” stated Dr. Sheldon Fields, Chair, Scholarship and Awards Committee.

The awards will be given on Saturday, September 26, 2020, 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. Eastern, during the Awards and Scholarship Ceremony, which is part of the 48<sup>th</sup> Annual NBNA Virtual Conference Experience, September 24 - 26.

The theme of the conference is “Nursing Resilience: Disruptions in Practice, Research, Education, Policy and Entrepreneurship.” NBNA is expecting 1000 nurses and student nurses to attend the conference. NBNA is comprised of nurses at all levels, from LPNs to doctorally prepared nurses and nursing students; bedside clinicians, chief nursing officers, deans of schools of nursing, researchers, academicians, case managers and entrepreneurs.

## **NBNA 2020 SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS**

### **DR. LAURANNE SAMS SCHOLARSHIP - \$1000 Each (4 Available)**

*The Dr. Lauranne Sams Scholarship is awarded to a qualified NBNA member based on scholastic achievement, financial need and community service and who is in pursuit of a baccalaureate or other advanced nursing degree. The scholarship, which is named for the Founder and First President of the NBNA, has a proud and distinguished legacy. The recipient must be an individual who truly represents the leadership, the commitment to service and the scholarship of Dr. Sams.*



Tka Edwards  
Columbia University  
School of Nursing  
New York, NY  
Greater New York City Black Nurses Association



Carlatesha Flippin, MSN, APRN, CPNP-PC  
University of Louisville  
School of Nursing  
Louisville, KY  
Kyanna Black Nurses Association of Louisville, Kentucky



Chinyere Oke  
Charles R. Drew University of Medicine & Science  
Mervyn M. Dymally School of Nursing  
Los Angeles, CA  
Council of Black Nurses, Los Angeles



Oyindamola Bangbose  
Charles R. Drew University of Medicine & Science  
Mervyn R. Dymally School of Nursing  
Los Angeles, CA  
Direct Member

**NBNA BOARD OF DIRECTORS SCHOLARSHIP, \$1500**

*To support a qualified NBNA member in pursuit of a **baccalaureate or advanced nursing degree.***



Mary Starks, BS, RN  
University of Rochester  
School of Nursing  
Rochester, NY  
Rochester Black Nurses Association

**LYNNE EDWARDS RESEARCH SCHOLARSHIP, \$5000 Each (5 Available)**

*The scholarship is sponsored by Dr. Linda Burnes-Bolton, NBNA Past President. Dr. Burnes-Bolton is a trustee of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. The Foundation contributes to the scholarship as part of the matching gift program. The scholarship is in honor of the mother of Dr. Burnes-Bolton, Mrs. Lynne Edwards. The scholarship is for a nurse pursuing a PhD. The candidates must be able to attend the NBNA Conference.*



Emerald Rivers, MSN, RN  
Johns Hopkins University  
School of Nursing  
Baltimore, MD  
Black Nurses Association of Baltimore



Semise Daley, MSN, RN, FNP-BC  
Azusa Pacific University  
School of Nursing  
Azusa, CA  
San Diego Black Nurses Association



Angela McGaskey,  
MSN, RN, CNML  
University of Texas Medical Branch  
School of Nursing  
Galveston, TX  
Fort Bend County Black Nurses Association



Curisa Tucker, MSN, RN  
University of South Carolina  
College of Nursing  
Columbia, SC  
Midlands of South Carolina Black Nurses Association



*Ashley P. Graham-Perel, EdD(c), MS, NPD-BC, RN-BC, CNE  
Columbia University  
Teachers College  
New York, NY  
New York Black Nurses Association*

**MARGARET PEMBERTON SCHOLARSHIP - \$1500 each – (2 Available)**

*The Scholarship is provided by Margaret Pemberton, Member, Black Nurses Association of Greater Washington, DC Area, to a nursing student from the chapter in the conference's host city. This is an endowed scholarship.*



Christa Clark  
Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University  
School of Nursing  
Tallahassee, FL  
Central Florida Black Nurses Association of Orlando



Terasa Banks, MSN, RN, CMSRN  
Chamberlain University  
College of Nursing  
Downers Grove, IL  
First Coast Black Nurses Association of Jacksonville, Florida

**RITA E. MILLER SCHOLARSHIP - \$2500**

*The scholarship is sponsored by Barbara Julian, Member, Council of Black Nurses, Los Angeles, in memory of Rita E. Miller, Department Chair, School of Nursing, Dillard University. The scholarship is for a BSN student attending a **HBCU**.*



Sade Martin  
Howard University  
College of Nursing and Allied Health Sciences  
Washington, DC  
National Black Nurses Association of Greater Washington DC Area

**VITAS HEALTHCARE/ESTHER COLLIFLOWER SCHOLARSHIP - \$1000**

*The scholarship is sponsored by VITAS Healthcare to a nurse or student nurse who is interested in pursuing a career in end of life care.*



TeShundrea Frederick, RN  
Northwestern State University of Louisiana  
College of Nursing and Allied Health  
Shreveport, LA  
Shreveport Black Nurses Association

## **GEORGE E. MCGUIRE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP - \$5000**

*The George McGuire Memorial Scholarship for a nursing student whose focus is **social justice**. The candidate must be a nursing doctoral student or a nursing student in a master's program of study. The candidate must be a NBNA member for at least two years; must have completed at least one full semester/quarter in a graduate program; and, must have at least one full semester/quarter to go to complete the program of study.*

*Social Justice is not charity. Social justice is a virtue in which there is an organized, collaborative and interprofessional relationship among professionals that facilitates access to that which is good for all of society. It embodies all those factors which influence social determinants of health for all members of society.*

*When referencing to nursing...the profession of nursing and those entrusted as professional nurses...have a responsibility to continually work with others so that healthcare access and positive health outcomes are achieved for all of society. An evidence based strategy is to include service learning as a means of introducing components of social justice through student engagement in services projects.*

*This is an endowed scholarship.*



Brittney Corniel, BSN, RN  
University of Louisville  
School of Nursing  
Louisville, KY  
Kyanna Black Nurses Association of Louisville, Kentucky



### **DR. MARTHA A. DAWSON GENESIS SCHOLARSHIP - \$1000**

*The Scholarship is provided by Dr. Martha A. Dawson, Member, Birmingham Black Nurses Association. The Law of Legacy states, "True success is measured by succession." This scholarship is to support nurse leaders to continue their growth and development through formal education at the master's and/or doctorate levels. Candidate may be an RN seeking master's, DNP, PhD in leadership or EdD who are pursuing a role in **leadership or administration**.*



Anne Mistivar, RN, BSN, MSN  
College of Our Lady of the Elms  
School of Nursing  
Springfield, MA  
Western Massachusetts Black Nurses Association

### **LOLA DENISE JEFFERSON SCHOLARSHIP - \$1000**

*This scholarship is funded by Dr. Lola Denise Jefferson, former NBNA First Vice President and member of the Fort Bend County Black Nurses Association to support a **generic BSN student** who is pursuing a nursing degree right out of high school.*



Crystal Johnson, MBA-HA, LPN  
University of Arkansas, Fayetteville  
Eleanor Mann School of Nursing  
Little Rock, AR  
Little Rock Black Nurses Association of Arkansas

**DR. DAISY HARMON-ALLEN SCHOLARSHIP - \$2000**

*The scholarship is provided by Daisy Harmon-Allen, PhD, RN, the 13th President of the Chicago Chapter National Black Nurses Association. The scholarship is in memory of her mother, Mrs. Bonnie Harmon who was an elementary school teacher in Sallis, Mississippi. The scholarship is awarded to an **ADN nursing student**.*



Misirat Aboudunrin  
Mt. Hood Community College  
School of Nursing  
Gresham, OR  
Direct Member

**DR. MILLICENT GORHAM SCHOLARSHIP - \$2000**

*This scholarship is provided by Sandra Evers-Manly, CEO, Black Hollywood Education and Resources Center, in recognition of the work of Dr. Millicent Gorham, Executive Director, National Black Nurses Association. The scholarship is awarded to a **BSN nursing student**.*



Candace Shingles  
Chamberlain University  
College of Nursing  
Irving, TX  
Metroplex Black Nurses Association of Dallas

**DR. ERIC J. WILLIAMS SCHOLARSHIP - \$1000**

*This scholarship is provided by Sandra Evers-Manly, CEO, Black Hollywood Education and Resources Center, in honor of Dr. Eric J. Williams, the first male president of the National Black Nurses Association. The scholarship is awarded to a **generic AND, BSN, or ELM nursing student.***



Emmanuel Njoku  
Charles R. Drew University  
Mervyn Dymally School of Nursing  
Willowbrook, CA  
Council of Black Nurses, Los Angeles

**NBNA SOCIAL JUSTICE SCHOLARSHIP - \$1,150 Each (2 Available)**

*This scholarship is in the **memory of Ahmaud Arbery, Breonna Taylor and George Floyd** and all the men and women of color who have died because of social and racial injustice.*



Alexandra Maye, BA, RN  
Drexel University  
College of Nursing and Health Professions  
Philadelphia, PA  
Northern New Jersey Black Nurses Association



Stephanie Doibo, MS, BSN, RN  
Capella University  
Nursing Program  
Cleveland, OH  
Cleveland Council of Black Nurses

**SUNCREST HOSPICE SCHOLARSHIP - \$2500 Each (2 Available)**

*The Scholarship is provided by Suncrest Hospice in an effort to enhance the education of nursing students who seek to serve their local communities. The recipient must be enrolled in an accredited nursing program that supports the advancement of the tenets of the NBNA. The recipient does NOT need to commit to working in the field of hospice, but must exemplify a dedication to service within their community and a desire to expand that service by way of a career in nursing.*



Aleesha Woodruff  
Samuel Merritt University  
School of Nursing  
Oakland, CA  
Bay Area Black Nurses Association



Melanie Wren  
Samford University  
School of Nursing  
Birmingham, AL  
Birmingham Black Nurses Association

**THE ROUTE BEAUTY SCHOLARSHIP - \$1000**

*The Route Beauty Scholarship is provided by Courtney Baber for a **BSN nursing student.***



Olive Massaquoi  
Thomas Jefferson University  
School of Nursing  
Philadelphia, PA  
Southeastern Pennsylvania Area Black Nurses Association

**THE MS. ALEX R. KEITZER, RN, BSN SCHOLARSHIP - \$1000**

*The Ms. Alex R. Keitzer Scholarship is provided by Dr. Deborah Bohn in honor of her mother. The scholarship is provided to a **BSN nursing student**.*



Artiesha Powe  
Davenport University  
School of Nursing  
Warren, MI  
Detroit Black Nurses Association

**HOST HEALTHCARE SCHOLARSHIP - \$1000**

*The scholarship is provided by Host Healthcare.*



Tiffany Johnson, MSN, RN  
Carlow University  
School of Nursing  
Pittsburgh, PA  
Pittsburgh Black Nurses in Action

**SUE MOTE SCHOLARSHIP - \$1500 Each (2 Available)**

*The Sue Mote Scholarship is provided by Eilidh Mote in honor of her grandmother. The scholarship is provided to a BSN nursing student.*



Devan Corpening  
Cabarrus College of Health Science  
School of Nursing  
Granite Quarry, NC  
Piedmont Black Nurses Association



Edna Asmah, RN  
New Jersey City University  
Nursing Department  
Parlin, NJ  
Norther New Jersey Black Nurses Association



### **JAYHAL FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP - \$1000**

*The JayHal Foundation Scholarship is provided on behalf of Reverend Dr. Deidre Walton, Past NBNA President. The scholarship is provided to a **generic associate degree or BSN student** who has at least one year left to graduate; shows evidence of community service; and, has a GPA of 2.7 or above.*



Courtney Phillips, MPH  
Emory University  
School of Nursing  
Atlanta, GA  
Atlanta Black Nurses Association

### **The Modern Nurse Scholarship - \$2500 Each (2 Available)**

*The [Modern Nurse](#) scholarship is awarded to a qualified NBNA member based on scholastic achievement, financial need, and community service and who is in pursuit of a LPN, BSN, or other advanced nursing degree. The recipient must be an individual who is aligned with [Trusted Health](#)'s mission of helping people everywhere get care.*

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Lauren Banks, BSN, RN  
University of Central Arkansas  
School of Nursing  
Searcy, AR  
Little Rock Black Nurses Association of Arkansas



Christian Garrett, MSN-ED, APRN, FNP-C  
University of Texas at Tyler  
School of Nursing  
Jacksonville, TX  
Greater East Texas Black Nurses Association

The NBNA mission is “to serve as the voice for Black nurses and diverse populations ensuring equal access to professional development, promoting educational opportunities and improving health”.