

2018 TUFTS HEALTH PLAN SCHOLARSHIPS

Tufts Health Plan is pleased to announce a scholarship program available to undergraduate students pursuing a degree in the Allied Health field: nursing, physician assistant, physical therapy, occupational therapy or a clinical management track in health sciences, who are eligible for health insurance coverage with the Group Insurance Commission (GIC).

In calendar year 2018, two individual \$2,500 scholarships are available to GIC-eligible undergraduate students currently enrolled in any accredited two- or four-year public or private college or university, who have completed at a minimum one semester of classes. At least one of the student's parents and/or a legal guardian must be enrolled in a GIC health plan; being a Tufts Health Plan member is not a requirement.

Each scholarship is merit-based. Applications will be evaluated based on the cover letter, the student's college GPA, the essay, and a resume (if the student chooses to submit one), all of which must be received by Tufts Health Plan by 5 p.m. on Friday, August 10, 2018.

Eligibility Criteria

- ▶ Undergraduate student currently enrolled full-time in any accredited two- or four-year, public or private college or university.
- ▶ Minimum college GPA of 3.0. The student must have completed at least one semester of college as of August 10, 2018.
- ▶ The applicant must plan on a career in the allied health field, such as nursing, physical therapy, occupational therapy, physician assistant or a clinical management track in health sciences.
- ▶ The student's parent or legal guardian must be enrolled in health insurance coverage through the GIC at the time of award.

Application Requirements

Please submit the following:

- ▶ Cover letter
- ▶ Application form
- ▶ Essay (see page three of this application)
- ▶ Copy of your most recent college transcript
- ▶ Resume (optional)

All materials must be completed and received by Tufts Health Plan by 5 p.m. on Friday, August 10, 2018.

Award Procedure

- ▶ Scholarship recipients will be notified by Friday, August 31, 2018.
- ▶ Checks will be made payable directly to the registrar's office of the student's college or university and mailed on or before August 31, 2018.

Eligibility Exclusions

- ▶ Dependents of Group Insurance Commission employees and dependents of members of the Commission are not eligible.
- ▶ Previous scholarship recipients are not eligible.
- ▶ Undergraduate students who will graduate prior to August 31, 2018, are not eligible.

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Group Insurance Commission**

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2018 Tufts Health Plan Scholarship Application

Student's Name _____
Last First MI

Social Security Number _____

Permanent Address _____
Street

City State Zip Code

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____

Summer Address _____
(if different from above) Street

City State Zip Code

College/University and Address _____
Name

Street City State Zip Code

Current Major _____ Current GPA _____

GIC Member Parent/Guardian Name _____

GIC Member Parent/Guardian's Social Security Number _____

COMPLETED APPLICATIONS ARE DUE BY 5 P.M. ON AUGUST 10, 2018.

Please mail to:

Sales - GIC
Tufts Health Plan
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Watertown, MA 02472-1505

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2018 Tufts Health Plan Scholarship Essay Question

Instructions

Please limit your response to no more than five (5) pages double-spaced. Essays in excess of this limit will not be read.

Essay Question:

The opioid crisis is having a devastating impact on lives and our community. There is very good clinical evidence that “medication-assisted treatment” has much better clinical outcomes than other methods. There are however significant barriers from patient, provider, employers and the public which have hampered access to this.

Please discuss the role of patients, providers, employer groups and others in helping address this situation. What behaviors and actions should each of these groups take to expand “medication-assisted treatment?”

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