



Faith Community Nurse/Health Minister Training—Racial and Ethnic Diversity Scholarship Fund

Background/Purpose/Requirements:

- The Racial and Ethnic Diversity Scholarship focuses on broadening the number of traditionally underrepresented racial and ethnic groups in the specialty of Faith Community Nursing within Oregon.
- The fund has been seed-started by a sponsorship from CareOregon.
- Applicants are required to submit:
 - A Scholarship application form
 - A completed registration form for the Foundations course you wish to take (available online at npnm.org)
 - A personal letter with your registration describing why taking this course is important to you and the role you hope to play in promoting health and wellness within your community.
 - A letter of support from your pastor, institution or congregational sponsor
- Additionally, finalists will be expected to participate in a phone interview.

Overview:

- The Racial and Ethnic Diversity Scholarship Fund promotes racial and ethnic diversity among the students enrolling in course trainings offered by the non-profit organization Faith Community Nursing/Health Ministries Northwest (FCN/HMN). Course offerings are designed for RNs who desire to become Faith Community Nurses (FCNs) or Faith Community Nurse Coordinators or for laypersons desiring to be trained as Health Ministers (HMs).
- Scholarship recipients will share their unique strengths and diverse perspectives through their involvement in the class setting and through their subsequent application of their FCN or HM skills in their Faith Community context.
- This scholarship is a one-time credit designed to cover the majority of the course costs less \$35.00 for the FCN foundations course or less \$100 for the Coordinator course. (Example: For the FCN Foundations course at UP which costs \$400, scholarship award amount is \$365).
- This scholarship attracts experienced RNs or laypersons from racially and ethnically diverse backgrounds, that are traditionally underrepresented in Faith Community Nursing or Health Ministries practice in the Pacific Northwest. This scholarship gives preferences to those who are:
 - Interested in promoting health and wellness within the Faith Community
 - Oregon residents
 - RNs who have support from their Faith Community Leader or who are part of a Faith Community with a pre-existing Health Ministry.

Upcoming Oregon Class Offerings:

<p>Portland, OR: University of Portland</p> <p><i>Hybrid:</i> Foundations of Faith Community Nursing Course In person: March 13, 14, and May 20, 2017 Online: March 20 – May 12, 2017</p> <p>For more information: Contact: Carol Reitz Email: cwreitz.6@gmail.com Phone: (701) 361-1704 Website: www.npnm.org</p>	<p>Hillsboro, OR: Tuality Healthcare</p> <p>In Person Only: Foundations of Faith Community Nursing Course In Person: July 13-15 & July 27-29, 2017</p> <p>For more information: Contact: Sandy Madsen Phone: 503-681- 1364 E-mail: sandy.madsen@tuality.org Website: www.npnm.org</p>
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Scholarship Application Form

Name _____ Email _____ Date _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Name of Faith Community _____

Address of Faith Community _____

Selection Criteria:

The scholarship is awarded to individuals who best exemplify the purpose of the Racial and Ethnic Diversity Scholarship Program. Priority for the Diversity Scholarship is given to Oregon residents.

Your Preferred Racial Identity. Please check as many as you like and write how you identify yourself in the blanks provided.

American Indian or Alaska Native. A person having origins in any of the original peoples of North and South America (including Central America), and who maintains tribal affiliation or community attachment. Please write how you identify yourself here: _____

Asian American. A person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, or the Indian subcontinent including, for example, Cambodia, China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, the Philippine Islands, Thailand, and Vietnam. Please write how you identify yourself here: _____

African American. A person having origins in any of the black racial groups of Africa. Please write how you identify yourself here: _____

Black or Black American Other than African-American. Such as Haitians or Immigrants from African countries. Please write how you identify yourself here: _____

Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander. A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa, or other Pacific Islands. Please write how you identify yourself here: _____

White American. A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, the Middle East, or North Africa. Please write how you identify yourself here: _____

Ethnicity

Are you **Hispanic or Latino**? A person of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, South or Central American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of your preferred racial identity.

__ Yes

__ No

If yes, which word do you use to describe your ethnicity (Spanish, Hispanic, Latina, Latino, Latin X or another term). Please write your self-identified ethnicity here _____.



A. Essay (required) – Print or type your name and on each page

Please provide short answers (Maximum of 300 words for each question) to all of the following questions:

1. Given your personal background, describe an experience that illustrates what you would bring to the diversity of the nursing specialty practice of Faith Community Nursing or a Health Ministry team at your Faith Community.
2. What financial challenges do you anticipate encountering as you pursue taking the Foundations in Faith Community Nursing Course or Faith Community Nurse Coordinator Course? How do you plan to overcome the identified challenges?
3. **Imagine: You are a Faith Community Nurse or Health Minister.** Please describe a health/wellness-promoting program or activity at your Faith Community that you would coordinate? Why did you choose this program? How would you get others involved in the opportunity?

Instructions for submission:

Please return completed application by:

1. Email to: administrator@nprm.org

or by

2. Mail to:

Faith Community Nursing/Health Ministries Northwest

2801 N Gantenbein Ave Rm #2027

Portland, OR 97227-1623

Because inter-hospital mail delivery adds time to the arrival of mail, please notify the office if you choose to submit your application by USPS. The office can be reached by email at administrator@nprm.org or telephone at 503-413-4920.

Deadline for submissions:

Applications are due preferably 1 week before the registration deadline listed for the Foundations of Faith Community Nursing Course you wish to take.

