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New Health Careers Scholarships for NC Community College Students

Raleigh: The NC Community Colleges Foundation announces the creation of scholarships for North Carolina Community College students preparing for careers in the health care industry.

For the 2008-2009 academic year, the \$1,000 scholarships are available only to full-time students enrolled in Associate Degree Nursing (A.D.N.) programs in NC Community Colleges. These programs prepare students to be registered nurses. The Foundation anticipates awarding up to 17 scholarships to students who might otherwise not be able to pursue their educations.

“The NC Community Colleges Foundation exists to help community colleges meet the workforce training and educational needs of our state,” said Hunt Broyhill, chair of the foundation’s Board of Directors. “We hope these scholarships will help people succeed in the demanding discipline of nursing, where we have an urgent and growing need throughout the state.”

Interested students should contact their advisers at their community colleges. Each community college with an Associate Degree Nursing program will be able to nominate one student for the scholarship.

Colleges must submit their nominees to the System Office by Friday, October 1, 2008.

Recipients will be selected by mid-October.

Eligible students must:

- have completed the first year of the A.D.N. program
- be enrolled in the second year.
- have maintained a 3.0 GPA during the first year in the A.D.N. program.
- have completed the Free Application for Federal Student Assistance (FAFSA).

The NC Community Colleges Foundation, a non-profit organization dedicated to advancing the work of the North Carolina Community College System and its 58 institutions, has endowed the scholarships with funds contributed to the Capital Campaign by a coalition of health industry partners. Contributors from the industry include:

- Blue Cross Blue Shield of NC

- Rex Healthcare
- UNC Health Care
- WakeMed Health and Hospitals
- Mission Health and Hospitals
- Craven Regional Medical Center
- Ammons Springmoor Associates, Inc
- Mayview Convalescent Center

For information about the scholarships, contact Monty Hickman, Associate Director for Financial Aid at the NC Community College System Office, 919-807-7195, hickmanm@nccommunitycolleges.edu

Click [here](#) for details and applications contained in [Numbered Memo CC08-199](#) on the North Carolina Community College System Office website.

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