



**Health Careers Coordinator
Treaty 7 Health Careers Bursary Program
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Recent Activities

1. Presented new application to Treaty 7 Health Careers Advisory Committee on December 16, 2009 for approval.
2. Treaty 7 Health Careers Bursary Program deadline set for January 29, 2010.
3. Revised application and poster were uploaded to the Treaty 7 Management Corporation website on December 17, 2009.
4. Revised application and scholarship workshop posters were developed and mailed off to Lethbridge College, University of Lethbridge, Red Crow Community College, Old Sun Community College, and Treaty 7 Health Careers Advisory Committee on December 17, 2009.
5. Made attempts to contact Mount Royal University, University of Calgary, Southern Alberta Institute of Technology(SAIT), Bow Valley College, Tsuu T'ina Post-Secondary Coordinator, Nakoda College, and Piikani Post-Secondary Coordinator to try and book a Scholarship Workshop. This took place over the first week in January 2010.
6. Presented all day Scholarship Workshops at the University of Lethbridge and the Lethbridge College on January 12 & 13, 2010.
7. Presented Scholarship Workshop to the LPN students at Old Sun Community College on January 14, 2010.
8. Presented Scholarship Workshop in the Native Centre at University of Calgary on January 21, 2010.
9. Made several further attempts to contact all Treaty 7 First Nations to encourage their students in a health specific program to apply for the Treaty 7 Health Careers Bursary.
10. Met with Treaty 7 Health Careers Selection Committee on February 5, 2010 to review and approve bursary applications.
11. Wrote response letters to both successful and unsuccessful bursary recipients.

Issues

1. Committee made revisions to the application.
2. No issues.
3. No issues.
4. No issues.
5. Mount Royal University and SAIT were not able to book date and/or did not return messages. No Scholarship Workshop was booked. Bow Valley College cancelled the Scholarship Workshop the day off due to lack of advertising on their end. Hence, Treaty 7 students were not made aware of Scholarship Workshop.
6. Out of the three sessions presented at the University of Lethbridge on January 12, 2010, only eight students attended. Seventeen students attended the four sessions presented at the Lethbridge College on January 13, 2010.
7. Twelve LPN students attended the Scholarship Workshop at Old Sun Community College on January 14, 2010.
8. Six students attended the Scholarship Workshop at the University of Calgary on January 21, 2010.
9. No issues.
10. Treaty 7 Health Careers Bursary Selection Committee consisted of members from Morley, Siksika, Piikani and Blood. Representation from Tsuu T'ina was not able to attend. Spent morning and afternoon reviewing and approving bursary applications.
11. No issues.

Summary

Overall, this year's Treaty 7 Health Careers Bursary Program went well despite the Treaty 7 representation from all five nations. In total, we received 27 bursary applications which is our record high. Out of these 27 bursary applications, 23 bursaries were granted. The four applications that did not get approved were due to incomplete applications as well as no registration in a health specific program.

The following list indicates the name of the program, year of study and the number of students enrolled that received the bursary:

- Aboriginal Practical Nurse Program 1st year– 7 students
- Aboriginal Practical Nurse Program 2nd year- 4 students
- Bachelor of Nursing Degree Program 1st year – 2 students
- Bachelor of Nursing Degree Program 2nd year – 6 students
- Bachelor of Nursing Degree Program 4th year – 1 student
- Bachelor of Arts Degree – Psychology 4th year – 1 student
- Doctor of Dental Surgery Program 2nd year – 1 student
- Doctor of Medicine Program 4th year – 1 student

Included are attachments of reports taken from the evaluation forms that I received back from the Scholarship Workshops attendees.

During these workshops, I gave the option to the attendees to write their name and email addresses down. By doing so, they would receive an electronic copy of my presentation.

Next steps

1. Submit cheque requisitions to successful bursary recipients.
2. Design Treaty 7 Health Careers Bursary Program Certificates.
3. Mail out response letters to all applicants, include certificates and cheques to those successful bursary recipients.
4. Present more Scholarship Workshops as per request from each post-secondary institution.