

## 2020 Debbie Tascone Nursing Scholarship Award

### Overview

The Debbie Tascone Nursing Scholarship for Northwell Health employees and their dependents awards \$5,000 to up to six nursing students in good academic standing who meet the established criteria. The application deadline is Friday, March 13, 2020.

### Eligibility Criteria

- Northwell employee of any age or a dependent of an employee (per diems excluded) who is 25 years of age or younger
- Admitted or enrolled as a student in an accredited Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) or Associate Degree in Nursing (ADN) program, or taking graduate, post-graduate or certificate courses in palliative care

### Application Process

- Complete the application form in its entirety
- Submit a letter of reference
- Complete the essay questions as described in the application form

### Selection

- The scholarship winner will be selected by a committee composed of senior nursing leadership from across Northwell
  - Submission of an application does not guarantee that a scholarship will be awarded
  - Only completed applications will be considered, with all attachments and reference letters
- Scholarship recipients will be notified early May

### About Debbie Tascone

Debbie was the first registered nurse and first woman to be appointed as a hospital executive director in the health system's history when she was named head of Syosset Hospital in 1997. The following year, she became executive director of Plainview Hospital as well, and she was subsequently appointed as regional executive director. We pay tribute to Debbie and her lasting contributions to Northwell Health. After Debbie's retirement, the Debbie Tascone Nursing Scholarship Program was established to honor her life-long devotion to nursing and carry forward her legacy of service excellence.

### Frequently Asked Questions

#### **Q: What is the Debbie Tascone Nursing Scholarship?**

**A:** The Debbie Tascone Nursing Scholarship is a Northwell Health-funded scholarship program for employees and their dependents that awards \$5,000 to up to six nursing students who exemplify Northwell's values.

#### **Q: Who is eligible for the scholarship?**

**A:** Scholarship applicants must be Northwell employees or the dependent of an employee and enrolled, or have been accepted for enrollment, in an accredited Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing (BSN) or Associate Degree in Nursing (ADN) program, or currently be taking graduate, post-graduate or

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certificate courses in palliative care. All students must be in good academic standing and meet all established criteria. Per diems and their dependents are not eligible. In addition, contractors, vendors and interns are not eligible.

**Q: Is there an age restriction on applicants?**

**A:** There is no age restriction on employees but dependents must be 25 years old or younger.

**Q: How will the winners be selected?**

**A:** Scholarship winners will be selected by a committee of senior nursing leaders from Northwell. The primary selection criteria will be the applicants' responses to the three required essay questions. In cases where essay responses are rated equally, preference may be given to individuals who are in financial need.

**Q: What is required to apply?**

**A:** In order to be considered, applicants must complete the application in its entirety and submit with two letters of reference and all three completed essay questions, as described in the application. Only completed applications will be considered.

**Q: Who can serve as a reference?**

**A:** For employees, the first reference must be their direct manager. The employee's second reference, and dependent's both references should be someone who can speak to their skills and abilities. This may include volunteer and community leaders, colleagues, or school representatives.

**Q: How long does the scholarship last?**

**A:** The Debbie Tascone Nursing Scholarship awards scholarships for a single academic school year. Eligible applicants can re-apply on a yearly basis. Being selected for this award once does not guarantee that you will be selected again in the future. All past winners are eligible to reapply.

**Q: When is the deadline to apply?**

**A:** The application deadline is Friday, March 13, 2020.

**Q: Where do I send my completed application?**

**A:** Applications can be submitted electronically. Submissions must be done at a Northwell location within the firewall or through remote access at [northwell.edu/myRemoteAccess](http://northwell.edu/myRemoteAccess). Please plan your submission accordingly. Your dependents can email you their information for you to copy and paste if it is a hardship for them to make their way to a location.

**Q: When will I find out if I have been awarded a scholarship?**

**A:** Scholarship award recipients will be notified early May.

If I have any further questions, contact the Tuition Team at (516) 734-7000 or [Tuition@Northwell](mailto:Tuition@Northwell)