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**INFO FOR APPLICANTS OF THE EXCEPTIONAL STUDENT NURSE BURSARY OR AWARDS:**

**TO: Student Nurses registered with a University offering a Degree in Nursing Science.**

**FROM: The Board of The Exceptional Nurse Campaign.**

THE VISION of TEN Campaign is to see **exceptional nursing care** practiced at every hospital and clinic in South Africa. Our aim is to **raise the status of the Nursing Profession by promoting a culture of honour** and gratitude towards all. We hope that when nurses are truly valued in society they will respond with honour and respect to every patient.

The purpose of The Exceptional Nurse Bursary/Award is not only to honour the individual, but to **raise up exceptional nursing students as role models** to their peers and society as a whole. Our aim is to select students who emulate competent and compassionate nursing care.

The **4 qualities** that we deem essential in the students we choose to become benefactors of The Exceptional Nurse Bursary or Award are: **Competence, Compassion, Commitment, Courage**

You are hereby invited to apply for The Exceptional Student Nurse Bursary or Award by submitting your application to the Administrator of your Nursing Science Faculty. All the forms that we will require from you should accompany your application – see below. Your lecturers and faculty staff will then choose the top 4 most deserving exceptional student nurses from your faculty, for these awards. Unfortunately, funds will only be awarded to 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> year students. We are hesitant to fund students who may choose to follow another career later.

**THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS WILL BE CONSIDERED:**

- South African citizens will take priority, but foreign students will be considered
- Students registered for a Bachelor in Nursing Science Degree at a South African University
- From a previously disadvantaged community
- Students not meeting the above criteria should still apply.

**DOCUMENTS REQUIRED OF EACH APPLICANT: (All documents must be submitted together for each student)**

- Full name, address, name of the university, year group and student registration number
- A certified copy of the Identity document
- Contact details of student applicant: cell number and personal email address
- Most recent academic transcript
- Student account/financial record on a University letterhead.
- Proof that practical nursing hours are up to date
- A character reference
- A reference from clinical practice educator
- A recent, good quality photograph
- Personal motivation letter completed by student: see questions below.

**QUESTIONS TO BE ANSWERED AND SUBMITTED BY THE STUDENT:**

- Why did you choose a career in nursing?
- What do you enjoy most about nursing?
- What do you find the most challenging about nursing?
- What qualities are essential in an exceptional nurse?
- Do you have a personal philosophy or faith conviction?
- How does that influence the way you live?
- How do you hope to influence your colleagues to be exceptional nurses?

**Please make sure that ALL the student's documents are submitted together, with that student's name.** A missing document will jeopardise that student's overall score. We are really looking forward to receiving your exceptional student nurse nominations, by the end of September, this year.

Yours committed to Nursing Excellence

**SR. TERESA BASSON**

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