

TIDEWATER ENA SCHOLARSHIPS

Tidewater Emergency Nurses Association (TENA) recognizes the importance of ongoing education and therefore offers yearly scholarships to **current ENA members practicing in the state of Virginia**. The scholarships are to support participation in chapter, state or national **ENA sponsored educational programs**, such as but not limited to: TNCC, ENPC, CATN, National Scientific Assembly, regional symposiums or conferences, or certification review courses.

Eligibility is that the recipient must be a current member of the Tidewater ENA chapter, practicing in the state of Virginia and active within the organization either at the chapter, state or national level.

Applications will be posted on the Tidewater ENA website in June of each year and sent out electronically to all Tidewater ENA members. **All members submitting an application must do so by the deadline posted on the application. There will be no exceptions for applications received after the deadline since ample time will be allowed to submit the application.**

All applications will be reviewed by the Executive Board of Directors and recipients selected according to the guidelines established. The amount and number of scholarships will be based on available funding as determined by the TENA Board of Directors for that fiscal year.

Recipients will be announced at the TENA Chapter meeting that follows the posted deadline and then contacted by the Board of Directors to inform them that they have been selected for the scholarship.

Reimbursement will be provided to the recipients of the scholarships once receipt of payment and proof of course completion is provided to the TENA Treasurer. The amount reimbursed will be for no greater value than what the scholarship has been declared for that fiscal year. If the course is less than the value of the scholarship, reimbursement will be for only the amount of that course and the remainder of the money will be forfeited back to TENA.

The scholarship will be active from September 1st of the year selected until December 31st of the following year giving the recipient 16 months to use the scholarship. If the scholarship is not used by the expiration date it becomes null and void unless there are extenuating circumstances that had prevented the recipient from using the scholarship.

Recipients may only receive this scholarship once every three years to ensure other TENA members get the opportunity to participate in the scholarship program. This is to encourage active participation at all levels of ENA and to mentor those beginning their careers in Emergency Nursing.