

## *CEDIK Appalachian Health Career Scholarships*

The Community and Economic Development Initiative of Kentucky (CEDIK) at the University of Kentucky is administering scholarships where funding has been provided by the New York Community Trust to Appalachian students seeking education in health or a health-related field. Because of the shortage of health care providers in the Appalachian region, along with the expected retirement of many physicians and an aging population that demands more health care, the need to educate and then retain young health care professionals is a real priority. Scholarships are allocated for full-time students with a maximum award of \$2,500 per semester. Part-time students are eligible to apply for partial scholarships. Students must be from an ARC defined Appalachian county to be eligible. **Scholarship is for one year.**

**Update March 2020:** Due to the unique challenges facing our nation at this moment, **official transcripts** are harder for applicants to provide. Unofficial transcripts (must be current and complete as of the date you submit your application) will be accepted. **Letters of recommendation** must be submitted via postal mail, but do not need to accompany your application. Letters sent separately also need to comply with the April 20th postmark deadline for your application to be considered.

### **Assembling the Scholarship Application Packet**

Please include the following material to be considered for this scholarship:

- Printed application form
- Written essay (details on page 3)
- Certified high school transcript when feasible, or unofficial, complete transcript also accepted
- Transcripts from any previously attended college or technical program
- Two letters of recommendation
- Evidence of acceptance to an accredited college or university
- Resume (details on page 3)

**Packet must be postmarked by April 20, 2020.** Please send by mail to:

CEDIK Appalachian Health Career Scholarship  
Committee c/o Sarah Bowker  
419 C.E. Barnhart Building  
Lexington, KY 40546-0276

The CEDIK scholarship committee will review all applications and send out award notices around July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020\*. It is anticipated that 10 full scholarships will be awarded.

\*Note: No calls or emails, please. All applicants will be informed by mail once scholarships have been successfully awarded.

**Awardees:** If you have been chosen as a recipient of the CEDIK Appalachian Health Career Scholarship you will be required to provide a progress report at the end of each semester. This update will include a short narrative describing your progress towards your degree and the grades you earned during the semester. The next semester of scholarship funding is contingent on the completion of this progress report, and a GPA of 3.0 or higher during each semester of scholarship funding.

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# 2020 Appalachian Health Career Scholarship Application Form

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ Race/Ethnicity: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

How did you learn about this scholarship? \_\_\_\_\_

*Recent HS Graduates (2010 or after)* County which you maintained residence during your last year in high school: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

*HS Graduates (2009 or before):* County where your most recent employed position is located: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

High School you attend(ed): \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

MM/YY of graduation: \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ Expected Date of Graduation (MM/YY): \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_

*The following should be on your official HS transcript.  
If your school provides no GPA or rank, put n/a for "not applicable".*

Cumulative GPA: \_\_\_\_\_

Rank in Class: \_\_\_\_\_

SAT score: \_\_\_\_\_

and/or

ACT score: \_\_\_\_\_

Class Size: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of College or University you will be attending in the upcoming school year (2020-21): \_\_\_\_\_

Will you be a full-time student? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No\* *\*please explain on separate sheet of paper and send with application*

Intended/Declared Major: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*See instructions on next page for completing essay and resume for this application\*\***

## **Essay**

The CEDIK Appalachian Health Career Scholarship is awarded to students exhibiting a strong interest and intent to study and pursue a career in health or health-related field in Appalachia.

Please attach to this application a brief essay that will acquaint the selection committee with the nature of your interest in the medical field – what inspired your interest, what you have done to prepare yourself, what you have learned and accomplished already, and what audiences you aspire to serve in the medical field. Be sure to give a brief description of your future goals once you have completed your degree. Limit to 2 single-spaced typed pages.

## **Resume**

Your resume should include the following types of information:

- Recent work experience (start/end dates, position title, name of employing organization, work responsibilities, etc)
- Academic honors received
- Extracurricular activities or interests (music, athletics, quiz team, etc)
- Community activities (volunteer opportunities, faith or non-faith organizations, etc)

Please submit the essay and resume as printed copies with the application packet.