YEARS MAKING A DIFFERENCE 2019 NATIONAL CONFERENCE 23-25 SEPTEMBER, 2019 DARWIN

Indigenous Allied Health Australia

PO Box 323 Deakin West ACT 2600 Phone: +61 2 6285 1010 Fax: +61 2 6260 5581 Email: admin@iaha.com.au www.iaha.com.au

JCU Centre for Rural and Remote Health, Mount Isa (MICRRH) and Indigenous Allied Health Australia (IAHA) student placement scholarship 2019 Guidelines

As a commitment under the partnership agreement between IAHA and JCU MICRRH, and in an effort to grow an appropriate and skilled remote and rural health workforce, there is an opportunity to create student placements for IAHA members in the Mount Isa region.

Indigenous Allied Health Australia (IAHA) will administer the scholarship to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander allied health students to undertake a student placement in the Mount Isa region. IAHA full student members can apply to undertake a placement of at least four weeks' duration in the region.

The scholarships will contribute to the cost of travel and accommodation in undertaking the student placement.

What will the successful applicant be required to do? The recipient will be required to:

- organise their placement in coordination with IAHA and Centre for Rural and Remote Health, Mount Isa staff – this could include a current or already planned placement, provided it is in the Mount Isa region;
- obtain appropriate approvals from their training institution (University) prior to travel arrangements being made;
- provide a written confirmation of placement from the relevant institution; and
- write a 500-word reflection for use in CRRH, Mount Isa and IAHA publications upon completion of their placement.

Who can apply?

The scholarship is open to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander allied health students who are currently full members of IAHA.

Scholarships are available only for the purposes of providing financial assistance to undertake an appropriate student placement:

- in the Mount Isa region;
- for a placement of no less than 4 weeks; and
- to assist with costs of travel and accommodation.

Application process

Applications for the scholarship must address the selection criteria in the online application form by **5 pm (AEST) Friday 12th April 2019**. This also includes a projected budget of costs for the placement and any other additional financial or in-kind support that is being provided. All applications will be acknowledged by return email.



Indigenous Allied Health Australia

PO Box 323 Deakin West ACT 2600 Phone: +61 2 6285 1010 Fax: +61 2 6260 5581 Email: admin@iaha.com.au www.iaha.com.au

Selection process

IAHA will establish a selection committee who will work with CRRH, Mount Isa in assessing each application and selecting the successful applicant/s. The selection committee may request more information and/or a telephone interview in support of the application if necessary. The selection committee's decision is final. There will be no appeals process.

The successful recipient will be notified by close of business on Thursday 18th April and travel forms will be sent at this time. All travel and accommodation will be booked and paid for by IAHA using awarded scholarship funds, upon receipt of completed travel documents submitted by successful applicants. Any funds remaining after travel, accommodation costs may be provided to the recipient to cover incidental costs.

Terms and Conditions

The Scholarship recipient agrees:

- a) To read and abide by the <u>IAHA Code of Conduct</u> at all times and relevant policies and procedures in relation to travel and finance.
- b) To return their travel documents by the required date. Failure to return the travel documents by this date will result in forfeiture of the scholarship.
- c) To be responsible for their own transfers to and from their place of residence and their nominated airport.
- d) To pay any changes to travel and accommodation bookings once they have been made as stipulated on the travel forms and approved by the CEO
- e) To refund the scholarship in full if they fail to undertake a student placement in the Mount Isa region during the 2019/2020 financial year. Exceptional circumstances with prior notice can be considered at the discretion of the CEO.
- f) To submit a written reflection report on their attendance and learnings no later than 4 weeks following completion of the placement.
- g) To be available to the Centre for Rural and Remote Health, Mount Isa and IAHA to undertake reasonable activities to further promote the scholarship program.
- h) To attend and actively engage in the placement. Failure to attend will result in ineligibility for future scholarships and/or recovery of funds.

Scholarship applicants are encouraged to seek advice from the Australian Taxation Office, Accountant and /or Centrelink about any impact the granting of a scholarship may have on their financial situation.

Further information is available by contacting IAHA on (02) 6285 1010 or email admin@iaha.com.au