



Objective

The objective is to provide financial assistance to students enrolled in the Physician Assistant Program of the School of Community medicine of the University of Oklahoma College of Medicine who commit to clinical practice for mutually agreed upon medically underserved communities in Oklahoma.

Eligibility

The student must be enrolled in the Physician Assistant Program of the School of Community Medicine of the University of Oklahoma College of Medicine. Additionally, the student must be in good standing with the University and have no other service obligations.

Geographic Eligibility

- The physician assistant must provide significant and demonstrable medical care to a medically underserved population within the State of Oklahoma as determined by the School of Community Medicine of the University of Oklahoma College of Medicine.
- Specifically, the School of Community Medicine Financial Incentives Policy Committee must approve the location and patient population receiving medical care prior to the physician assistant commencing practice.

Amount of Scholarship

- The PA student will receive a scholarship for 50% of the tuition and fees charges for up to eight semesters (30 months).
- PA students receiving the award must maintain good standing in the Physician Assistant Program at the University of Oklahoma College of Medicine School of Community Medicine.
- The award will be in the form of a reduction of educational expense incurred by the recipient on a semester basis.
- Should the recipient withdraw from or be dismissed from the Physician Assistant Program at any time, the recipient must repay the scholarship money to be eligible for graduation and for transcript release.

Service Obligation

- The recipient agrees to provide medical care as a physician assistant on a full time basis to an underserved population that is mutually agreed upon by the student and the Financial Incentives Policy Committee.
- The length of service will be a month of service for each month of the financial award received. The minimum service payback will be twelve (12) months.

- The recipient must be certified by the National Commission for the Certification of the Physician Assistant (NCCPA), obtain a position for the agreed upon underserved population, and begin practice as a PA within ninety (90) days following certification.
- The service obligation shall begin on the date the recipient begins practicing as a physician assistant for the underserved population.

Default of Service Obligation

- If the recipient fails to commence employment in the agreed upon underserved population within ninety (90) days following certification, the recipient shall repay the entire amount of the scholarship, including the principal with interest thereon at the rate of prime plus one percent per annum from and after the date recipient receives the scholarship.
- The School of Community Medicine shall also be entitled to recover damages in an amount equal to 100% of the principal.

By the signature below, the recipient agrees to abide by, the above conditions and the policies of the University of Oklahoma College of Medicine's School of Community Medicine Financial Incentives Policy Committee.

Student Printed Name: _____

Student Signature: _____ Date: _____

For the University: _____
Printed Name

For the University: _____ Date: _____
Signature