



Primary Care Rural Health Scholarship

The Primary Care Rural Health Scholarship was established by the Primary Care Initiative in 2022, to recognize and financially support ICOM Student Doctors with a demonstrated interest in rural medicine and primary care.

In order to be eligible for this scholarship, students must meet the following criteria:

- Enrolled full-time at the Idaho College of Osteopathic Medicine
- In good stand-in (not on academic probation or leave of absence)
- Demonstrated commitment to Idaho, the practice of primary care, and rural medicine
- Demonstrated volunteerism on campus and / or the community
- Evidence of strong leadership within the class and community
- Noteworthy achievements, including awards, honors, and extracurricular activities
- Evidence of financial need.

Applicants must submit an essay in response to the supplemental questions outlined below.

Scholarship Amount

\$10,000

Deadline

March 31, 2024

Supplemental Questions

Provide a written response (1,000 words or less) to the following:

- Describe your academic excellence, identify the cohort to which you belong, and provide your class ranking, with supportive documentation from the ICOM Registrar.
- Describe your commitment to practicing primary care medicine in rural Idaho. Please address each of the following:
 - Your reasons for choosing primary care medicine
 - How rural practice aligns with your career goals
 - Your commitment to working in rural Idaho
 - Please mention any personal ties you may have to a rural community
- Describe your volunteer experience within the class and community, and provide examples.
- Describe your leadership skills within the class and community, and provide examples of your leadership experiences.
- Include a brief description of your financial need and how this scholarship supports your educational goals.

Note: Your response to all of the above should not exceed 1,000 words.

How to Submit

Please send your essay as a single PDF via email to Tammy Perkins, Executive Director of PCI, at tperkins@theprimarycareinitiative.org, using your name as the filename. You should also include your full name on the header of each page. Please follow the template available on the PCI website.

Note: Applicants should expect to receive a response to their application indicating it has been received. If they do not receive a reply, it will be incumbent upon them to inquire about receipt of their application prior to the deadline.

Disclaimer

The number of scholarships and amount per scholarship(s) will be determined each year based on the PCI Board's policy on distribution and availability of funds. Scholarships are not automatically renewable; students must re-apply each year. Students receiving full-tuition scholarships from other sources are not eligible. If awarded the scholarship, funds will be distributed directly toward the recipient's tuition.