

SENIOR CARE INNOVATION SCHOLARSHIP

(Information seulement disponible en Anglais)

SPONSOR: A Place for Mom

AWARD AMOUNT: \$1,000 awarded to five individuals.

DEADLINE: **April 15, 2015**

SELECTION AND ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

1. The annual scholarship award is for (5) students enrolled in an associates' degree, bachelor's degree or graduate level program in a medical, nursing or social sciences related major. The student must intend on pursuing a career that involves working with senior citizens. The applicant must be attending classes at an accredited college or university at the time of the spring deadline.
2. Employees of A Place for Mom and members of their immediate family (spouse, parent, child, sibling and their respective spouses, regardless of where they reside) and persons living in the same household, whether or not related, of such employees, are not eligible to apply.
3. Applicants must complete a letter of introduction and an essay that is between 500 and 900 words on a selected topic and sign the [Scholarship Award Agreement](#)
4. Scholarship will be awarded to five students who write the most compelling essay in each of five categories as judged by an outside panel of senior living professionals.

Instructions for Applicants

Please include the following in your email:

1. Letter of introduction describing your history working or volunteering with seniors, why you're seeking a degree in your field and why you feel you would be a good candidate for this scholarship award.
2. A signed copy of the [Scholarship Award Agreement](#). The easiest way to do this is to print the PDF file, fill it out and scan it back into your computer so that you can include it in your application packet. Alternately, you can print it, fill it out and then take a clear picture of it and email that file along with your application packet.
3. Choose ONE of the subtopics of the essay question listed below.
4. Essays must be between 500 and 900 words long.
5. You must be planning on a career working with senior citizens in order to be eligible for this scholarship.

Essay Topic

The Administration on Aging estimates that by 2050, nearly a quarter of Americans will be age 65 or older, this includes the remaining Baby Boomers, all of Generation X and the older members of Generation Y. By 2025, the number of people 65 and older with Alzheimer's disease is expected to reach 7.1 million. Care for the influx of senior citizens is of critical importance. What advances in senior care need to occur in order to care for our aging population? What contributions will you make towards solving this dilemma?

Please choose ONE of the following five subtopics:

1. Technological innovations such as those that help monitor and track locations of people with Alzheimer's.
2. What innovations do you see happening around the care and research into Alzheimer's and memory care? (Please note that we are not looking for a description of Alzheimer's or statistics about the disease).
3. Mental health, **psychology** or sociological innovations to improve the quality of life for seniors or ways in which our society can reduce the stigma around dementia, aging and senior living.
4. Medical or medical research innovations, which includes nursing.
5. Other care innovations, which include advances in physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech pathology, pharmacy or recreational therapy.

How to Apply

[Click here](#) to submit your letter of introduction, essay and [Scholarship Award Agreement](#). Please include your first and last name in the subject line.

Keep in mind that your application email must reach us by 11:59 p.m. on 4/15/15.

A Place for Mom may choose to not award or to withdraw the Scholarship Award for any reason. Award recipients will be notified individually and announced by May 31, 2015.

For more details, visit: <http://www.aplaceformom.com/scholarship>