



# Illinois Pioneer Coalition

## Scholarship Program

**Applications for the 2023 scholarships are now being accepted. To be considered for an award, submit your application by March 31, 2023.**

### Required Eligibility and Criteria Documentation for application

1. Must be a someone who is currently employed in an Illinois Long-Term Care Community (either full-time or part-time) who is looking to further their education in healthcare
2. Must be committed to advancing your education with a focus on caring for older adults (e.g. in a degree program or certification)
3. Required documentation
  - Must submit the following to be considered for this scholarship:
    - a. An essay describing your interest in caring for older adults and working with older adults in long term care; include how you became interested in caring for older adults (1-2 pages)
    - b. A description detailing your educational plan that includes:
      - the college or organization/agency through which you will receive your degree or certificate
      - If appropriate, a copy of the letter of acceptance from the nursing school or agency
      - Plans for funding your education
    - c. Letter of Recommendation from your supervisor, professor, or facility Administrator/Director of Nursing that demonstrates support for your educational plan

## Vivian and Mary Tellis-Nayak Scholarship - 2023

### **Applicant Information:**

Full Name:

Date:

Address:

City, State, Zip:

Phone:

If you currently hold a license/certification in a health care field, please indicate:

### **Current Employment:**

Place of Employment:

Phone Number:

Address:

City, State, Zip:

Current Position:

Administrator:

Director of Nursing:

Supervisor:

Years of experience in caring for older adults:

Type of educational program attending:

Name & Address of the School or Program:

Start date of educational program:

Estimated completion date:

**Please respond to the following questions:**

- 1) I would like to advance my knowledge in working with older adults because:
- 2) Describe a situation in which you connected with an older adult in your workplace and how you improved quality of life for that person:
- 3) Describe your future plans in the healthcare field and your commitment to delivering quality care for older adults:

Terms of Agreement: The Illinois Pioneer Coalition will award a \$1000.00 provisional scholarship to the applicant for above mentioned educational program.

If you have any questions about this application, please contact:

Leslie Pedtke  
[leslie@dignityq.com](mailto:leslie@dignityq.com)

*I understand and agree with the terms of the Agreement, Eligibility and Criteria Requirements, and Negotiated Timeline and wish to be considered for the Illinois Pioneer Coalition Scholarship.*

Applicant Signature:

To submit application, including Letter of Recommendation, either scan and email to Leslie Pedtke (above) or mail to:

Leslie Pedtke  
25199 N. Carolina Rd.  
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