

Nurse In Washington Internship (NIWI) ~ PCR sponsorship process

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1. Apply to NIWI
2. Concurrently, apply for WOCN scholarship (include a copy of your NIWI application),
3. Then, apply to PCR for their scholarship (include copy of NIWI and WOCN application)
 Mail to: Wanda H. Johnson CWOCN, FNP
 WOCN – PCR Vice President
 1672 67th avenue
 Oakland, California 94621
4. Forward NIWI acceptance information to WOCN and PCR
5. When information on your status for the WOCN scholarship is received,
6. Then send that information to PCR, for approval by the Board of Directors.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

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	Alliance Scholarship	WOCN scholarship	PCR sponsorship Application due	Alliance NIWI pre~registration
Deadline	<u>October 18, 2004</u> http://www.nursing-alliance.org/files/NIWI_Schol_Pol.pdf	December 1, 2004	November 15, 2004..	December 31, 2004

NIWI ~ PCR Scholarship Sponsorship Application

Section 1. Please print or type information.

Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (H) _____ (W) _____

WOCN Member # _____ E-Mail _____

Section 2: Write a short essay in 100-150 words

Explain why you wish to attend the NIWI program, your plans on utilizing the knowledge of the legislative process to benefit the Pacific Coast Region and nursing in general (may attach a separate sheet)

Section 3: Applicant's Certification

I attest to my eligibility for the NIWI scholarship and do agree to the following criteria, if I should be selected.

- I agree to fulfill the obligations (as outlined) upon attending NIWI or Repay the full amount of the scholarship to Pacific Coast Region/WOCN**
- If for some reason I am unable to attend I will return the entire amount granted.**

Applicant's
Signature _____ Date _____

Vice-President/PCR
Signature _____ Date _____

The amount of PCR funds granted is dependent on the number of applicants.

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Criteria for scholarship sponsorship by PCR/WOCN

The Nurse In Washington Internship (NIWI) program provides nurses the opportunity to learn how to influence health care through the legislative process. Participants learn from healthcare experts and government officials, network with other nurses and visit members of congress.

One of the goals of PCR is to organize our members into a powerful political force and maintain an effective and knowledgeable Government Affairs Committee (GAC).

Therefore the PCR BOARD has initiated a scholarship program for one active member to attend the NIWI program. All nominees must meet the following criteria and be approved by the PCR Board and the GA Chairperson.

APPLICATION CRITERIA FOR THE PCR/WOCN SCHOLARSHIP:

- Be an active member of the Pacific Coast Region of WOCN, as indicated by attendance of a minimum of one annual regional meeting and active participation in their local WOCN support group in the past year (if available).
- Be an active member of the GAC for at least ONE YEAR.
- Demonstrates the ability to communicate effectively, both verbally and in written format. To be evaluated by the PCR President and/ GAC Chairman.
- Projects enthusiasm and interest in legislative issues.
- Has communicated with his/her own legislators on at least one issue. Copies of said communication to be verified by the PCR Vice President or GAC Chairman
- Applicant must first submit an application for a WOCN (NIWI) sponsored scholarship and show proof of acceptance or denial to the PCR/WOCN Board of Directors

Attendee must fulfill the following obligations after attending NIWI or repay the scholarship in full.

- Be an active member of the PCR-GAC for at least two years and assist the chairman with legislative issues or change.
- Send follow-up letters to his/her congressional member to further built relationships.
- Submit an article to the Timely Topics and the Web page BI-annually or as needed to address new issues.
- Network with other NIWI graduates within the region and nationally to expand the effectiveness of the legislative liaison process.
- Give a formal presentation to the PCR membership on the outcomes of the NIWI program at the fall symposium on techniques to advance legislative issues at grassroots level.
- Submit an itemized expense report to the PCR treasurer within 30 days after attending NIWI.
- Report monthly to the GAC chairperson and the Vice- President on GA activities.

Applicant's Signature _____

Date _____