



# PROFESSOR GEOFFREY DRISCOLL NURSING SCHOLARSHIP FOR GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN CANCER NURSING

## 1.0 Introduction

The purpose of the Professor Geoffrey Driscoll scholarship is to support registered nurses working in stem cell and bone marrow transplantation who are pursuing post graduate studies.

The scholarship provides financial assistance to nurses enrolled in the Graduate Certificate of Cancer Nursing offered by the Australian College of Nursing by distance education. For course details and registration requirements, please visit the Australian College of Nursing website: [www.acn.edu.au](http://www.acn.edu.au)

The scholarship covers **one** of the following modules:

- Principles of Cancer Care
- Cellular Therapies
- Foundations of Haematology Nursing
- Therapeutic Apheresis Nursing

## 2.0 Eligibility criteria

- 2.1 **Employment Status:** Applicants must be registered Nurses working at an Australian transplant centre hospital or those whose work involves a significant portion of direct care for patients with haematological diseases.
- 2.2 **Experience Requirement:** Applicants need to have been in their current role for at least one year and demonstrate a commitment to stay in that role for at least another year.
- 2.3 **Citizenship / Residency:** Applicants must be Australian citizens or hold Permanent Residency status
- 2.4 **Completion Requirement:** Applicants must intend to complete the full Graduate Certificate course and be able to fund the remaining modules of the course that are not covered by this scholarship
- 2.5 **Funding Disclosure:** Applicants must disclose if they have received or plan to seek additional funding from other sources for the same course
- 2.6 **Recent Financial Support:** Applicants should not have received financial support for similar purpose from other sources in the last 12 months
- 2.7 **Previous Recipients:** Individuals who have received an Arrow scholarship previously can not apply again within two years, unless there are exceptional circumstances as determined by the Board of Arrow
- 2.8 **Reporting Requirement:** Scholarship recipients must provide a newsletter story and photo upon accepting the scholarship as well as upon completion of the sponsored module and the course
- 2.9 **Repayment Condition:** Recipients must agree to repay the scholarship (partially or fully) if they do not successfully complete or withdraw from the course

## 3.0 Approval process

- 3.1 **Application Submission:** Written application forms must be submitted before the application close date
- 3.2 **Assessment:** The Arrow Programs subcommittee will review and assess the applications based on their merits, prioritise them, and make a final decision.
- 3.3 **Competitiveness:** Scholarships are competitive, and the number of scholarships awarded is determined at Arrow's discretion.
- 3.4 **Notification and acceptance:** Successful applicants will be notified via email and must confirm their acceptance of the scholarship terms. It is the applicant's responsibility to enrol in the course. The scholarship funds will be paid directly to the Australian College of Nursing upon presentation of an invoice by the applicant.

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### 4.0 The application requirements

- 4.1 **Application Form:** Completion of the attached application form
- 4.2 **Cover Letter:** Provide a cover letter detailing your experience, reasons for enrolling in the course, and your motivation for applying for the scholarship
- 4.3 **Current Resume:** Submit a current resume
- 4.4 **Letter of Support:** Include a signed letter of support from your Department Head or Nurse Unit Manager on official employer letterhead. The letter should confirm your employment and role within bone marrow transplant (BMT) and explain the reasons for supporting your application
- 4.5 **Registered Nurse Certificate:** Attach a copy of your registered nurse certificate
- 4.6 **Proof of Citizenship / Residency:** Provide a copy of your Australian birth certificate, Australian passport, or Permanent residency visa
- 4.7 **Proof of Enrolment:** Provide confirmation of your enrolment in the course

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## APPLICATION FORM

As the applicant you consent to allowing the information provided on your application to be used for the purposes of 1. Assessment of your application and 2. By Arrow Bone Marrow Transplant Foundation (employees, board, and partner agencies) for program evaluation and corporate governance. By providing your details you are consenting to being added to our mailing list for promotional and fundraising purposes. Should you not wish to be a part of our mailing list you may opt-out at any time. For further details on how Arrow uses your personal information refer to our Privacy Policy on our website [www.arrow.org.au](http://www.arrow.org.au)

Applicant Details	
Given Name	
Last Name	
Date of Birth	
Gender	
Address	
Phone Number	
Email address	
Social media handles (if applicable)	
Employment Details	
Position	
Hospital	
Department	
Area of employment	
Length of employment in above area	
% of workload spent on haemato-oncological disease	
Scholarship Details	
Sponsored module	
Commencement date	
What do you hope to achieve by undertaking the course?	
Funding	
Have you sought or do you intend to seek funds from any other source(s) for this application?	
Have you previously received funding from Arrow? If so, please provide details.	
Scholarship Requirements	
Do you agree to provide images and items for Arrow's website and newsletter and other digital communications?	
Is it your intention to continue working in haematology and BMT for the next 12 months?	

Please return completed form to Janna Gibbs [jgibbs@arrow.org.au](mailto:jgibbs@arrow.org.au) and email or call us on (02) 8398 8149 if you have any questions.