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NHA Research and Educational Foundation announces health care career scholarships

LINCOLN, NEB. — The Nebraska Hospital Association Research and Educational Foundation (NHAREF) is proud to announce the recipients of the 2019 Graduate Studies Tuition Aid Program and the Undergraduate Health Care Career Scholarship Program.

Through these scholarships, NHAREF is assisting future industry leaders in their efforts to pursue a degree in health care or further their education through two scholarship programs — the Graduate Studies Tuition Aid Program and the Undergraduate Health Care Career Scholarship Program.

“We had the pleasure of reviewing a large number of qualified candidates that were quite impressive and possessed the skills our hospitals need to continue to provide quality patient care,” Nebraska Hospital Association President Laura J. Redoutey said. “NHA takes great pride in this program that helps talented students achieve their career goals.”

As part of this program, NHAREF is grateful for a generous donation to the Health Care Career Scholarship Program from both FocusOne Solutions and Aureus Medical Group. These organizations are long-time partners and are dedicated to helping outstanding health care professionals take the next step forward in their health care career.

To date, more than $600,000 in scholarships has been awarded to individuals to support higher education.
Nebraska’s hospitals are proud to support these outstanding students who will keep our quality of care among the best in the nation.

**Recipients of the 2019 Graduate Studies Tuition Aid Program include:**

- Shelly Amsberry, Jennie M. Melham Memorial Medical Center, Broken Bow
- Jennifer Baumert, CHI Health Lakeside, Omaha
- Janette Brenneman, Brodstone Memorial Hospital, Superior (FocusOne recipient)
- Desa Clark, Methodist Fremont Health, Fremont
- Brenda DeLeon, Kearney Regional Medical Center, Kearney
- Katherine Feagler, CHI Health St. Elizabeth, Lincoln
- Austin Lambing, Phelps Memorial Health Center, Holdrege
- Alfred Ongesa, CHI Health Immanuel, Omaha (Aureus Medical recipient)

**Recipients of the 2019 Undergraduate Health Care Career Scholarship include:**

- Hillary Edwards, Nemaha County Hospital, Auburn
- Bethany Griffin, Chase County Community Hospital, Imperial
- Deisy Hernandez, OrthoNebraska Hospital, Omaha (FocusOne recipient)
- Dawn Hiatt, Callaway District Hospital, Callaway
- Serena Moore, CHI Health CUMC Bergan Mercy, Omaha
- Caitlin Pittman, Regional West Medical Center, Scottsbluff
- Cameron Ram, CHI Health Clinic University Campus, Omaha
- Ashley Strain, Columbus Community Hospital, Columbus
- Valynn Sukrad, Providence Medical Center, Wayne
- Natalie Uhing, Memorial Community Hospital & Health System, Blair (Aureus Medical recipient)
FocusOne Solutions is a provider of managed services solutions and vendor management software to help hospitals nationwide streamline the staffing process and achieve a higher level of performance. They serve as the point of contact to source high quality staff. FocusOne is dedicated to helping outstanding health care professionals take the next step forward in their careers.

Aureus Medical Group is a national leader in health care staffing—and a Nebraska-based company—that brings more than 30 years of success to connecting hospitals with skilled and dynamic health care professionals seeking rewarding career opportunities. Aureus Medical Group is proud to play a vital role in the future of quality health care by providing assistance to students pursuing advanced degrees in their chosen health care field. Aureus Medical Group is a sister company of managed services provider, FocusOne Solutions.

The Nebraska Hospital Association is the unified voice for Nebraska’s hospitals and health systems. The association offers collaborative leadership, assisting its members to provide comprehensive care to their communities, improving the health status of those communities. For more information, visit the NHA website at www.nebraskahospitals.org.

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