



Dr. Raja S. Gopalan

Registered Nursing Scholarship

This scholarship was established by Dr. Gopalan, a highly respected surgeon, who retired in 2011 after 40-plus years of practice. His clinical skill, compassion and generous spirit have left a lasting and positive impression on every life that he has touched. Through this scholarship, Dr. Gopalan continues to inspire those who desire to be an exceptional health professional.

Who is eligible to apply?

- 1. Applicant must be either:**
 - a current employee of Brooks Memorial Hospital in Dunkirk, New York or TLC Health Network (Lake Shore Hospital) in Irving, New York or
 - a family member (spouse, son or daughter) of an employee of a hospital listed above.
- 2. Applicant must be accepted into a Registered Nursing program or must be awaiting a response from such a program (the awardee will show proof of enrollment in an RN program to NCCF before the scholarship check will be remitted.)**

Application Process

- 1. Those interested in applying must complete the application form, including the essay.**
- 2. Two letters of recommendation are required. If the applicant is employed at one of the hospitals, one of the letters must be from the applicant's supervisor.**
- 3. The applicant should then submit both the application and the sealed letters of recommendation to the Human Resources Department by April 1st.**
- 4. The Scholarship Committee should forward the name of the recommended recipient, along with a copy of his/her application to "DR. RAJA S. GOPALAN REGISTERED NURSING SCHOLARSHIP" c/o NCCF, 212 Lake Shore Drive W in Dunkirk, 14048 by April 15th.**
- 5. The scholarship recipient will be notified in August.**

What are the criteria for selecting the recipients?

- 1. intention of pursuing a career as RN at Brooks or TLC Health Network**
- 2. financial need**
- 3. application with essay and references**
- 4. motivation**
- 5. hardworking**
- 6. kind and caring disposition**



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APPLICATION

Application should be returned to the Human Resource Department by April 1st. The department should then forward the selected applicant and copy of essay to the Northern Chautauqua Community Foundation by April 15th.

Date: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

College/University you will be attending *(include address)*:

Have you been accepted into the RN Program? yes no

Current Occupation: _____

If not an employee, name of eligible family member: _____

Affiliated Hospital: Brooks Memorial TLC Health Network

★ **Essay:** *In 500 words or less, please explain your goals and reasons for pursuing a career as a registered nurse.*

Approved by _____
Department and Title _____



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