

PCFA PROSTATE NURSING COURSE AWARD

Intention of the award

The aim of the award is to provide three registered nurses from across Australia with the opportunity to advance their knowledge and skills in the field of prostate cancer nursing, by providing financial assistance to enrol in the post-graduate distance education prostate nursing care course through Latrobe University. It is envisaged that this will benefit the successful applicants knowledge by exposure to best practice management and support of men with prostate cancer, ultimately improving the quality of care provided to these men.

Award Conditions

The award for 3 full registrations for distribution as follows:

- The Award is full registration of course fees for the 3 successful applicants.
- Applicants need to provide evidence of support to undertake study from their line manager.
- The successful applicants are required to provide feedback to the PCFA within 4 weeks of final results for the completed program, in the form of a written report which in turn may be published on the PCFA website and / or newsletter. The report will provide a synopsis of the educational program undertaken along with any key messages learnt.
- The program of study must commence in 2015
- Payment will be made directly to La Trobe University for each applicant upon confirmation of enrolment
- Award opens for application 17 December 2014
- Closes to application Friday 9 January 2015- late or incomplete applications cannot be accepted
- Applicants notified of outcome week commencing 12 January 2015

Application Process

- Application forms should be submitted <u>electronically</u> to **Julie Sykes**, Director of Health and Education to <u>julie.sykes@pcfa.org.au</u>
- Applications close 9 January 2015
- Late applications will not be accepted.
- Applications must be made using the correct application form and include requested supporting documentation otherwise they will be considered invalid.
- All applicants will be notified of the outcome of their application week commencing 12 January 2015 with the successful applicants also posted on the PCFA website.

Taxation Advice:

Applicants are advised to seek their own taxation advice regarding the income tax/fringe benefits tax and its effect on any funding they receive from PCFA.





Selection Criteria:

Selection for the grant will be made according to demonstration of the following criteria:

- Australian citizenship or permanent residency status
- Registered Nurse with current nursing registration in any state or territory of Australia
- Have a minimum of two years' experience in the nursing profession since initial registration
- Employed in a nursing position caring for men with prostate cancer (this may include clinical, health promotion, research or education settings and includes the private and public sectors)
- Outline 3 objectives which describe the relevance of the chosen education program to the applicant's practice, how it will contribute to improving the management and support of men with prostate cancer in the nurses' work setting and how to this knowledge will be disseminated locally.
- Evidence of support from direct line manager must be included

Please include Curriculum Vitae in your application together with your application.

In the event of a large number of applications meeting the selection criteria – a ballot will be drawn





APPLICATION FOR PCFA NURSES EDUCATION GRANT 2014

NAME	
POSTAL ADDRESS	
CURRENT POSITION	
WORKPLACE ADDRESS	
OTHER POST GRADUATE STUDY COMPLETED	
NAME EDUCATION PROVIDER	
COMMENCEMENT DATE	
EXPECTED COMPLETION DATE	
COST OF STUDY PROGRAM	
OTHER COSTS (Please specify)	
DETAILS OF FUNDING FROM OTHER SOURCES	
3 OBJECTIVES FOR UNDERTAKING STUDY	

PLEASE SUBMIT THIS FORM ALONG WITH:

- A copy of your CV
- A letter of support from your manager confirming they support your application
- A copy of your nursing registration certificate





OFFICE USE

Evidence of nursing registration provided	Yes □	No □
Evidence of employer support provided	Yes □	No □
Employed in prostate care	Yes □	No □
2 years post registration experience	Yes □	No □
Objectives adequately stated	Yes □	No □
Meets criteria	Yes □	No □
Successful	Yes □	No □
If no specify reason		
Date response sent to applicant		

