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New Jersey League for Nursing, Inc. Announces the Recipients of the 2024

\$100,000 Dr. Maureen Sullivan Foley Memorial Scholarship Awards

Supporting Excellence in Nursing Education in New Jersey

Westfield, NJ The New Jersey League for Nursing (NJLN), a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization committed to promoting nursing education excellence, proudly announces the recipients of the \$100,000 Dr. Maureen Sullivan Foley Memorial Scholarships. These scholarships are awarded to New Jersey nursing students pursuing their Bachelor of Science (BSN), Master of Science (MSN), and Doctorate (PhD, EdD, DNP, DNS) degrees, with the intent to remain in New Jersey to practice, thereby benefiting the health of our communities across the state.

These awards are made possible through the Community Health Connections Foundation (CHCF), Inc., a private grant-making foundation. This marks the fifth consecutive year of collaboration between the NJLN and CHCF to provide scholarships, supporting New Jersey nurses in their educational and professional journey. By the end of 2024, we will have awarded over \$330,000 in scholarships.

This year, we are proud to announce the eight recipients of the prestigious Dr. Maureen Sullivan Foley Memorial Scholarship Award who have excelled in all aspects of the selection process.

Doctorate: \$20,000 Scholarship Awards

- Adam Hill, MSN, APN, RN, CCRN, is pursuing a Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) from Wilmington University, School of Nursing.
- Anju Wadhawan, MSN, MHA, RN, is pursuing her Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) from Rutgers University School of Nursing.

Master of Science in Nursing (MSN): 10,000 Scholarship Awards

- Manda L. DiRubbo, BA, BSN, RN, is pursuing her MSN from Rutgers University School of Nursing.
- Chinonye Nkemka, BSN, RNC-OB, is pursuing her MSN from Frontier Nursing University.
- Christina Silva, RN, BSN, CEN, is pursuing her MSN from the College of New Jersey.

Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN): \$10,000 Scholarship Awards

- Blessing Chidiking is pursuing her BSN from The College of New Jersey.
- Na'Jayah Davis is pursuing her BSN from Saint Elizabeth University.
- Kai Ingram is pursuing her BSN from Eastern International University.

"Providing financial assistance to help students achieve their academic goals is one of the most rewarding aspects of the NJLN's mission. These awards also instill great confidence in the recipients to encourage them further to achieve their professional aspirations through this investment in them, ultimately making a profound impact on healthcare for our diverse population and communities that they will serve. Dr. Maureen Sullivan Foley was a former NJLN president and influential nurse leader in New Jersey who inspired nurses to pursue their education. Each scholarship embodies her lifelong commitment to advancing the nursing profession and honors her legacy," said Donna M. Penn, DNP, RN, CNE, NEA-BC, and NJLN President.

The Dr. Maureen Sullivan Foley Memorial Scholarships to be awarded during a virtual presentation on October 24. The recipients will be honored at the 2024 NJLN Nurse Recognition and Scholarship Awards event on November 1 at the Pines Manor in Edison, New Jersey in celebration of nursing education excellence.

To learn more about the Dr. Maureen Sullivan Foley Memorial Scholarship Award, visit the NJLN website, www.njln.org.

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About the New Jersey League for Nursing, Inc.

The New Jersey League for Nursing (NJLN) supports and implements the mission of the National League for Nursing (NLN) to promote excellence in nursing education and build a strong and diverse nursing workforce to advance the health of our state, nation and the global community. The NJLN is a diverse and inclusive organization proudly celebrating 109 years as a professional nursing organization. To learn more, visit www.njln.org.

About the Community Health Connections Foundation, Inc.

The Foundation's proud mission is to operate exclusively to provide support for charitable purposes, by connecting grants and donations to non-profit and federally tax-exempt 501(c)(3) organizations and programs that are dedicated to health, healthcare services, and health education in the State of New Jersey. Through innovative strategic collaborations and resource connections, the most vulnerable individuals, families, and unmet community health needs will most benefit from the services and opportunities that will enable them to achieve their best quality of life and full potential.