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## **Government of Yukon supports 16 students with their health-related studies**

Three bursary programs from the Government of Yukon are helping to support 16 Yukon students in health-related post-secondary studies.

The Yukon Medical Education Bursary is made available to four new students each year. This bursary provides students with \$5000 per year for up to four years of medical school. This year's recipients are Marc Beaudin, Stephanie Choquette, Justin Dragoman and Ryan Dragoman.

Six students were awarded nursing bursaries. Janelle Greer and Amber Rix will each receive \$5,000 for each of the next four years. Janelle Hager, Emma Morin, Jennifer Perrin and Solstice Toews will receive \$2500 for each of the next four years.

The Yukon Health Profession Education bursaries were awarded to Noria Deacon and Logan Godin (\$5000), Emma Hanes, Kevin Caron, Melissa Klein and Jamie Duke (\$2500). Funding will continue for each of the four years the applicants are in a health education program.

### **Quotes**

"Congratulations to all recipients awarded a bursary through these programs. These bursaries are an excellent way to invest in health care, and we are pleased to support these 16 students in their medical education. I look forward to their future contribution to the health of all Yukoners."

*–Minister of Health and Social Services Pauline Frost*

"Maintaining a robust Yukon nursing workforce is essential to meeting the needs of Yukoners at every stage of their life. These bursaries demonstrate the government's ongoing commitment of preparing adequate numbers of health care professionals to support Yukon communities. Continued sponsorship of health care education funding at all levels is vital to ensuring appropriate access to safe, quality health care for the Yukon population."

*–Yukon Registered Nurses Association President Christina Sim*

### **Quick facts**

- Since the bursary program began in 2006, 135 Yukon students have received financial assistance through the bursary programs.
- The medical education bursary provides \$5,000 a year for four years to students in medical school; and \$7,500 a year for two years for Yukon students in medical residency for family medicine.
- Nursing and health professional bursaries provide \$5,000 to two students a year for four years and \$2,500 a year for up to four additional students for four years.

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