

Alberta Doctors' Digest

Apply for the 2018 Tarrant Scholarship

Medical students can apply; practicing physicians can give back through donations

The Section of Rural Medicine (SRM) is accepting applications for the 2018 Tarrant Scholarship, named in honor of the late Dr. Michael Tarrant, a dedicated family physician and champion of rural medical undergraduate education.

The Tarrant Scholarship serves as a well-received and highly valued incentive for qualified third-year medical students to focus their undergraduate studies (and ultimately their careers) on rural medicine.

As one of Alberta's largest unrestricted medical school undergraduate awards, the Tarrant Scholarship is presented every fall to third-year medical students from University of Alberta and University of Calgary who demonstrate a strong interest in and dedication to rural medicine during their undergraduate years.

Since its inception in 2004, the Tarrant Scholarship has been awarded to 35 medical students and has provided over \$375,000 in awards. This year, one recipient from the U of A and one from the U of C will each receive a \$12,500 award.

Medical students can apply

Medical students are eligible to apply for the scholarship if they meet the following criteria:

- Are a U of A or U of C medical student in clerkship in 2018
- Are keenly interested in building a career in rural medicine in Alberta
- Demonstrate dedication to rural medicine in undergraduate work

Physicians can donate to support the scholarship and rural medicine

For the past few years, SRM has partnered with the Canadian Medical Foundation and the AMA to enable members to contribute on a charitable basis to the Tarrant Scholarship program. A great response was received. The section would like to thank all who donated. Your contributions enabled the continuation of this important scholarship.

The section encourages you once again to consider a tax-deductible donation to help ensure the continued future of the Tarrant Scholarship as it works to sustain the educational development of future rural physicians.

Application form

Visit the AMA's website at www.albertadoctors.org/tarrant for more information and to download the 2018 Tarrant Scholarship application form. Apply by **May 31**.