Conditions of The Kununoppin Hospital Medical Scholarship

The Shires of Trayning, Mukinbudin, Nungarin and Mt Marshall (the Consortium) comprise a consortium for the purpose of funding a medical scholarship based at Kununoppin Hospital.

1. **NAME OF SCHOLARSHIP**
   The Scholarship will be called The Kununoppin Hospital Medical Scholarship.

2. **PURPOSE OF SCHOLARSHIP**
   The Scholarship is awarded as part of a long term strategy to increase the number of suitably qualified, Australian trained, medical practitioners with qualifications to General Practice Fellowship level, in the North Eastern Wheatbelt area of Western Australia.

   The scholarship will support a medical student in the final three years of their MBBS Course in return for the recipient agreeing with the Consortium by separate agreement to undertake a period of General Practice in the rural community associated with the Consortium.

   The period of General Practice must be undertaken during a semester break and the University must be notified prior to the period commencing to enable it to confirm insurance arrangements for the student with the Kununoppin Hospital.

3. **DURATION OF THE AWARD**
   i. The value of the scholarship is $25,000 per annum and is tenable for the final three years of the student’s medical course.
   ii. One scholarship is available to a student commencing their second year in the postgraduate degree of Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS) in the School of Medicine, Fremantle.

4. **ELIGIBILITY**
   To be eligible for consideration, applicants must:
   i. Be an Australian citizen or permanent resident;
   ii. Be enrolled full time and commencing second year in the postgraduate degree of Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS) in the School of Medicine, Fremantle;
   iii. The successful applicant must formally enter into the Kununoppin Hospital Service Agreement with the Local Government bodies comprising the Consortium.
   iv. Not be in receipt of a Medically Rural Bonded Scholarship (MRBS); and
   v. Not be in receipt of another University of Notre Dame Australia scholarship.

5. **SELECTION CRITERIA**
   In addition to satisfying the eligibility criteria, applicants must demonstrate:
   i. A willingness to participate in and learn about rural and remote medical practices and communities;
   ii. A desire to live in a rural or remote community; and
   iii. An ability to be open minded, flexible, adaptable and proactive.

   Students must demonstrate through past and present activities, how they meet the above selection criteria, for example:
a) Demonstrate membership and active involvement in a university’s Rural Health Club, such as SPINRPHEX Rural Health Club;
b) Demonstrate previous experience, or exposure to rural, regional or remote areas;
c) Provide evidence of previous activities which demonstrate an interest in rural practice;
d) Provide specific details of why they want to commit to a rural or remote community;
e) Provide examples of how they would be able to contribute to a rural and remote medical practice and community; and
f) Provide specific examples of how they have demonstrated flexibility, adaptability, open mindedness and proactivity in their studies, work and/or life.

6. SELECTION PROCESS
All applicants will be required to submit the following to be considered for selection:
   i. Completed Application Form;
   ii. Statements addressing the Selection Criteria as outlines in Clause 5;
   iii. Two referees.

   The School of Medicine, Fremantle will review the applications and will submit no more than 10 eligible applications to the selection panel. The selection panel will shortlist the applications which best meet the selection criteria. Shortlisted applicants will be interviewed.

7. APPLICATION AND AWARDING PROCEDURE
   i. All applicants must read the Kununoppin Hospital Service Agreement before submitting a written application.
   ii. If a student declines the offer, the applicant ranked next highest will be offered the scholarship.
   iii. Independent legal and financial advice should be sought by the student before the scholarship is accepted.
   iv. All short listed applicants will be notified where interviews will be conducted.

8. SELECTION PANEL
   The selection panel will comprise:
   i. Two representatives from the Shires comprising the Consortium and participating in the program;
   ii. A member of the Kununoppin Local Health Advisory Group;
   iii. The Dean of the School of Medicine, Fremantle at The University of Notre Dame Australia (or nominee);
   iv. A rural doctor or community representative nominated by the Consortium; and
   v. The rural representative from the Medical Student Association of Notre Dame (MSAND).

9. ONGOING OBLIGATIONS DURING AND UPON COMPLETION OF THE MEDICAL COURSE
   i. In order to remain eligible for the Kununoppin Hospital Medical Scholarship, the scholarship holder must:
      a) continue to be an Australian citizen or permanent resident;
b) maintain full time enrolment in the postgraduate degree of Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS) in the School of Medicine, Fremantle;
c) maintain a “Good Standing” academic status;
d) Adhere to the terms set out in the Kununoppin Hospital Service Agreement.

ii. Scholarship recipients may be required to undertake a range of activities that will encourage other students to consider rural practice as a career, or promote the Scholarship program at the University and on behalf of the Consortium or its constituent Shires. These matters will be agreed on an annual basis with the Consortium on the basis of discussions with the scholarship holder, the University and other stakeholders.

10. SCHOLARSHIP PAYMENTS
   i. Scholarship funds will be paid by the University directly to the student in two instalments, at the end of semesters 1 and 2 for the three year term of the scholarship.
   ii. Independent advice should be sought by a student from Centrelink, the Australian Tax Office and/or a registered accountant as to the effect of scholarship payments on the tax liabilities of and other payments received by a student.

11. CONCURRENT SCHOLARSHIPS
    Ordinarily the Kununoppin Hospital Scholarship may not be held concurrently with any other external or University scholarship. Approval for concurrent scholarships may be granted in exceptional circumstances, with the approval of the Vice Chancellor.

12. UNIVERSITY REGULATIONS
    Any regulations regarding the awarding of this Scholarship must comply with these Terms and Conditions.

13. ADMINISTERING BODY AND LIABILITY
    The Scholarship will be administered by the School of Medicine, the Office of University Relations and the Consortium. Notre Dame is not a party to the Kununoppin Hospital Service Agreement between the recipient and the Consortium and as such is not in a position to offer legal or financial advice to applicants in relation to the terms and conditions of the Kununoppin Hospital Service Agreement. Applicants should seek independent legal and financial advice prior to making an application for the Scholarship and entering into the Kununoppin Hospital Service Agreement.

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