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**\$10K Scholarships
for Medical School**
in Cancer-Related Fields of Study



Best Cure
FOUNDATION

**Are you a medical student
who has been personally
affected by cancer and is
passionate about dedicating
your life to finding a cure for
life-threatening cancers?**

**We'd like to help
you achieve that
goal – after all,
it's our goal too!**



BestCure Foundation will award \$10,000 CAD scholarships to three (3) applicants who are Canadian citizens enrolled in a four-year accredited medical school program located in Canada.

Who are we looking for?

BestCure Foundation is looking for a very select group of candidates personally affected by cancer — medical students who are themselves cancer survivors, or who have an immediate family member currently undergoing treatment for a life-threatening cancer or an immediate family member who has lost his/her battle with cancer.



Eligibility Requirements:

1. Must be a resident of Canada
2. Enrolled in a full-time four-year accredited medical school program located in Canada
3. Candidate must be a cancer survivor his/herself, or have an immediate family member currently undergoing treatment for a life-threatening cancer or an immediate family member who has lost his/her battle with cancer.
4. Between the ages of 17–30
5. Have an undergraduate GPA of at least 3.0

BestCure Foundation will award scholarships to eligible candidates who demonstrate an interest in cancer prevention, early detection of cancer, and finding a cure for cancer.

Scholarship Selection Criteria

- The student has shown a genuine interest in pursuing a career in oncology and particularly in clinical research designed to improve cancer treatments, find a cure for cancer, or prevent cancer.
- The experiences and electives of the student reflect this interest.
- The student has been involved in cancer-related academic activities (articles, posters or other publications related to living with cancer and/or treating, preventing or curing cancer).
- The student has demonstrated the potential for academic achievement by maintaining a GPA of 3.0 in his/her pre-medical studies.
- The student possesses excellent interpersonal and communication skills.
- The student demonstrates a strong commitment to preventing and/or curing cancer.

Have you participated in fundraising walks, dance-a-thons, car washes, t-shirt sales in support of cancer awareness/prevention/research? Volunteered at local hospitals and/or cancer treatment centers? Entered photography/poster contests or essay writing competitions?

We would like to hear about it!



How to apply for the Scholarship

The BCF Scholarship application can be downloaded from the BestCure Foundation website at www.BestCure.ca

Once the application has been filled out, students will need to provide the following documentation to submit with the application:

- Must provide proof of Canadian residency (i.e., photocopy of Driver's License or other proof of residency)
- Submit a transcript of undergraduate course work and final GPA
- Copy of an acceptance letter and/or proof of enrollment in an accredited 4-year medical school program
- Student must write a cover letter that provides a brief summary of his/her personal experience with cancer (as an individual or via immediate family member) as well as providing some examples of the academic

and/or extra-curricular activities participated in by the student with regard to cancer. (See the "Scholarship Selection Criteria" panel of this brochure for guidance, or visit www.BestCure.ca for more information.)

- Applications should be sent via certified/trackable mail to:

*BestCure Foundation
Scholarship Selection Committee
c/o Abe Ghosh
146 Annapolis Circle
Ottawa, ON K1V 1Z3 Canada*

Once the BestCure Foundation Selection Committee has narrowed down submissions to a smaller group of finalists (to be contacted), students should be prepared to provide documentation in the form of a doctor's letter or signed affidavit that shows he/she or his/her close family member has undergone treatment for a cancer. We will also ask for a letter of reference from someone who can speak about the applicant's dedication to this cause (i.e., professor, academic advisor/mentor, volunteer program supervisor, etc.)

Deadlines for Submission

The deadline for applying for the 2017 Fall enrollees will be May 30, 2017. Late applications will not be accepted for consideration. The Selection Committee will notify the winning applicants in writing or by telephone by no later than June 15, 2017. The Selection Committee will send an email to all applicants advising of the winners names by not later than June 20, 2017. The Scholarship will be paid directly to the winning applicant's medical school.



For more information, please visit
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