

# 2024 Tufts Health Plan Justin Grankewicz Memorial Scholarship

Tufts Health Plan is pleased to offer the 2024 scholarship program in honor of our colleague, Justin Grankewicz. Justin was a treasured employee, gifted musician, and passionate artist who tragically passed away in March of 2023. This scholarship program is available to undergraduate students who are eligible for health insurance coverage with the Group Insurance Commission (GIC) pursuing a degree in the following fields:

- ▶ Allied Health (nursing, physician assistant, physical therapy, occupational therapy, or a clinical management track in health sciences)
- ▶ Public Health
- ▶ Behavioral Health for all concentrations, with special consideration given to those students pursuing a degree in Expressive Therapies (art therapy, expressive arts therapy)

In calendar year 2024, two individual \$2,500 scholarships are available to GIC-eligible undergraduate students currently enrolled in an accredited two- or four-year public or private college or university, who have completed a minimum of one semester of classes. At least one of the student's parents and/or a legal guardian must be enrolled in a GIC health plan.

Scholarships are merit-based. Applications will be evaluated based on the cover letter, the student's college GPA, the essay, and a resume (optional).

## Eligibility Criteria

- ▶ Undergraduate student currently enrolled full-time in an accredited two- or four-year, public, or private college or university.
- ▶ Minimum college GPA of 3.0 and at least one semester of college completed by Friday, September 27, 2024.
- ▶ The applicant must plan on a career in the allied health field (nursing, physical therapy, occupational therapy, physician assistant, or a clinical management track in health sciences), a career in public health, or a career in behavioral health.
- ▶ The student's parent or legal guardian must be enrolled in

health insurance coverage through the GIC at the time of award; being a Tufts Health Plan member is **not** a requirement.

## Application Requirements

**Please submit the following:**

- ▶ Cover letter
- ▶ Application form
- ▶ Essay (see page three of this application)
- ▶ Copy of your most recent college transcript
- ▶ Resume (optional)

All materials **must** be completed and received by Tufts Health Plan by **5 p.m. EST on Friday, November 8, 2024**. Incomplete or late submissions or submissions received or authored by a 3<sup>rd</sup> party (e.g., parent, guardian, artificial intelligence, etc.) will not be considered.

## Award Procedure

- ▶ Scholarship recipients will be notified by Wednesday, November 20, 2024; notification will only be sent to those applicants to whom an award has been granted.
- ▶ Checks will be made payable directly to the registrar's office of the student's college or university and mailed on or before Friday, December 27, 2024

## Eligibility Exclusions

- ▶ Dependents of Group Insurance Commission employees and dependents of members of the Commission
- ▶ Previous scholarship recipients
- ▶ Undergraduate students who will graduate prior to Friday, October 25, 2024

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Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security Number \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Street

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Work Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Summer Address \_\_\_\_\_  
(If different from above) Street

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

College/University and Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Name

Street \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Current Major \_\_\_\_\_ Current GPA \_\_\_\_\_

GIC Member Parent/Guardian Name \_\_\_\_\_

GIC Member Parent/Guardian's Social Security Number \_\_\_\_\_

**Completed applications should be sent to [GIC\\_Scholarship@point32health.org](mailto:GIC_Scholarship@point32health.org) and are due by 5 P.M. EST on Friday, November 8, 2024.**

- Applications must be submitted in PDF or Word format. Applications submitted via Google Docs are not able to be viewed due to privacy settings.
- Only those applicants who have been selected for an award will receive a notification.
- Scholarship awards cannot be paid directly to the recipient and will be directed, without exception, to the registrar's office of the student's college or university.

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## Instructions

Please limit your response to no more than five (5) pages double-spaced. Essays exceeding this limit will not be reviewed.

## Essay Question:

**With Steward Healthcare closing Carney Hospital in Dorchester, MA and Nashoba Valley Medical Center in Ayer, MA, what will the effect be on the patients and local residents who rely on these facilities? How are the impacts different for an urban facility like Carney Hospital compared to a rural facility like Nashoba Valley Medical Center?**