

# Dr. Donald William Rae Memorial Bursary Fund

## APPLICATION FORM

The bursary is intended to assist one student each year in pursuing a career in health care such as Nursing, Pharmacy, Dentistry, Medicine or Medical Rehabilitation including without limitations, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy and Respiratory Therapy.

The complete form is to be submitted to the Community Foundation of Portage and District Inc (CFPD) by May 15.

Surname_____	First_____	Middle_____
Address_____	City/Town _____	
Postal Code _____	Phone _____	E-mail_____
Father's Name_____	Mother's Name _____	
Father's Occupation_____	Mother's Occupation _____	
Number of brothers/sisters_____	Number at University /College_____	
Post secondary programs to which you have applied:		
Name of Institution _____	Location_____	
Program_____	Length of Program _____	
Describe you long term academic goals and career objectives: _____		
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Estimate the cost of this year's education:

Books and Tuition \_\_\_\_\_ Accommodation \_\_\_\_\_

Amount of financial assistance available for each of the next two years from the following sources:

Self \_\_\_\_\_ Parent(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_ Total \_\_\_\_\_

Will you be applying for government or other loans or bursaries? \_\_\_\_\_

If Yes, please list: \_\_\_\_\_

(Circle the appropriate response)

Are you currently employed? Yes or No Full Time or Part Time

Will you be employed this summer? Yes or No Full Time or Part Time

Please provide information for the bursary committee that will assist in Determining your need for financial assistance.

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List honours and awards received during the past 4 years (including dates)

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List offices you have held in school and other school activities:

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List community activities and memberships held:

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This is to confirm that the information contained on this application form is complete and accurate.

Signature: Student\_\_\_\_\_

Date\_\_\_\_\_

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**Purpose:** To assist one student each year in pursuing a career in health care such as Nursing, Pharmacy, Dentistry, Medicine or Medical Rehabilitation including without limitations, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy and Respiratory Therapy.

**Award:** \$1000.00

## **Eligibility:**

- A graduate of a Portage la Prairie District high school.
- Currently registered, or accepted, in any year of studies in Nursing, Pharmacy, Dentistry, Medicine or Medical Rehabilitation including without limitations, Occupational therapy, Physical Therapy and Respiratory Therapy.
- Consistently strong academic performance.
- Personal characteristics that exhibit compassion, integrity, service to the community, and leadership.
- Financial need.

## **Application:**

Please submit application no later than May 15 with the following information:

- Proof of registration or acceptance at a school,
- Scholastic performance,
- Community service.
- Three letters of reference (one from one of the applicant's teachers).
- Please include a written section for, "why should I be considered for this award."
- Application can be downloaded from our website [www.cfpdi.ca](http://www.cfpdi.ca)

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**Donald William Rae O.C., C.D., M.D., F.C.F.P.**

Donald William Rae a long time resident of Portage la Prairie, passed away in Victoria BC on December 10, 1998 at the age of 67.

Born in Weyburn, Saskatchewan on April 10, 1931, he moved to Winnipeg in 1942, graduated from the University of Manitoba in 1957 with degrees in Science & Medicine and Doctor of Medicine. He went on to become a person of many accomplishments both in the field of medicine and public service.

Dr. Rae and his wife Lorraine moved to Portage la Prairie in 1957 where he worked as a family practitioner until June 1995. He designed coats of arms for: the City of Portage la Prairie, the Portage & District Hospital, the Faculty of Medicine (U of M) and the College of Family Physicians of Canada. In 1995, he and Lorraine were jointly honoured with the Citizen of the Year Award for outstanding service to their community. Recognized for excellence in 1992, Don was awarded Provost, Order of the Buffalo Hunt by the Province and later the same year, appointed an Officer in the Order of Canada.

Dr. Rae joined the RCN(R) in 1949 and served as a surgeon-lieutenant before transferring to the Militia, continuing as medical officer with the 26th Field Regiment RCA (M), the 17th Medical Company and the 13th Field Battery RCA (M). He retired in 1995 as the Honorary Lieutenant-Colonel of the 26th Field Regiment.

A most generous individual, Dr. Rae was an outstanding volunteer and a recipient of numerous awards recognizing his abilities, leadership qualities and contributions. He joined the St. John Ambulance Brigade in 1957, continuing to serve in many positions until his appointment as Chancellor of Venerable Order of St. John, the parent organization. He was not only a respected physician in his community but a noted academic and committed supporter of Family Medicine nationally and internationally. He joined the College of Family Physicians of Canada in 1958, served as Provincial Chapter President and during 1976-77, as National College President. He was also President of the World Organization of Family Doctors (WONCA) 1989-92. Dr. Rae visited 42 countries in the interest of developing health care programs abroad and within Canada.

Dr. Rae believed passionately that education is the key to improving health care and medical practices. His family decided that donations in his memory would support education in the area of health care and "The Dr. Donald William Rae Bursary Fund" was established. Each year the bursary will award \$1000 to a student from the Portage area to support their education in Nursing, Pharmacy, Dentistry, Medicine or Medical Rehabilitation including without limitations, Occupational Therapy, Physical Therapy and Respiratory Therapy.

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