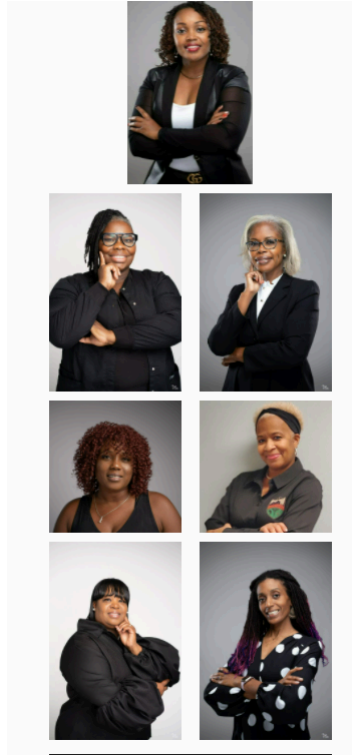


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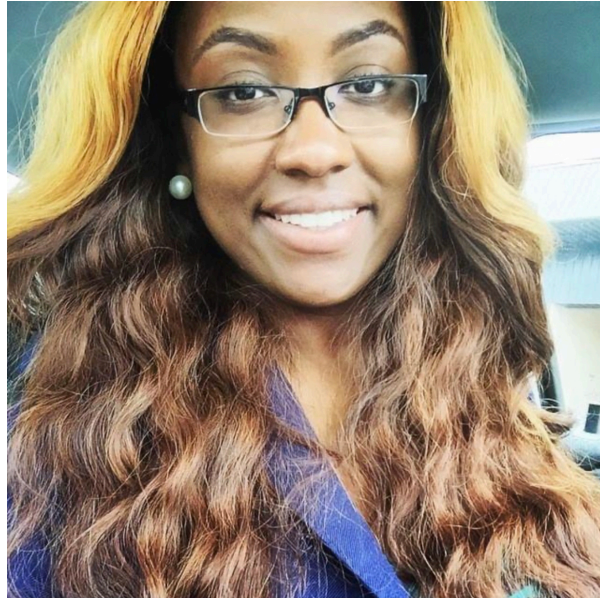
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 Dr. Sheniece Griffin- Corresponding Secretary

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Membership Spotlight

Congratulations to Dr. Celia McIntosh and Nurse Sheila Rogers, who were honored during the 2022 Speak Life! Health Equity Conference for their work locally promoting health equity. <http://ow.ly/BN7H50IX0qb>





Natalie Lewis, graduated from the Accelerated Nursing Program at U of R May 14th, 2022 with Sigma Theta Tau Honors all while working fulltime as a scheduling supervisor at the Arc of Monroe County. Further, she is the recipient of the Spring 2022 Epsilon Xi Undergraduate Scholarship monetary award. Natalie was able to accomplish all of this despite being discouraged not to work while completing this accelerated program. Great job at this wonderful accomplishment. Keep up the great work and we wish you the best of luck as you transition into the nursing workforce. Congratulations Natalie.



Please share something special going on in your life. New job, any accolades/awards received. We want to spotlight your hard work.

*If you would like to be spotlighted in our **BIWEEKLY** membership newsletter, please send our corresponding secretary [Dr. Sheniece L. Griffin](#) an email. When emailing, please include a photo of yourself, your credentials, and whatever content you wish to share in the newsletter, day changed to Sunday evening's now biweekly instead of weekly. Any time sensitive communication will be sent out immediately. Deadline for submissions is Fridays by 12:00pm. Look forward to spotlighting all of your hard work.*

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Monthly Meeting Information

Rochester Black Nurses Association Inc.



Open to all RNs, LPNs, Nursing Students, Retirees and those who support the mission of NBNA

NBNA's mission: To serve as the voice for Black nurses and diverse populations ensuring equal access to professional development, promoting educational opportunities and improving health

RBNA motto: "The Heart of Community Health: Bridging the Gap" Chapter Meetings occur the 4th Tuesday of the month 6-8pm
Sponsored by University of Rochester, School of Nursing



Location: In Person (TBD) & Hybrid
University of Rochester SON

Zoom ID: 854 4269 2245

When: 4th Tuesday of the month of every month

Meeting Date: May 24th, 2022

Time 6-8pm

Join our FB and Instagram @RochesterBNA
[Email:Nbna.rochester@gmail.com](mailto:Nbna.rochester@gmail.com) | [Website: rocna.org](http://Website:rocna.org) | [Call/Text:585.210.8374](tel:585.210.8374)

IN PERSON OPTION for this meeting TBD

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Announcements

We Want to Hear from YOU!



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SAVE THE DATES:

June 1st 10:00-11:30AM REGISTER

June 7th 5:00-6:30PM REGISTER

To learn more about ending the epidemic in New York State please visit:

health.ny.gov/endingtheepidemic



[The National Society of Black Women in Medicine](#), formerly known as Black Women in Medicine Inc., was founded on the campus of Florida State University on October 14th 2017 by Amber Balkcom and Ashlei Phillips. The two students had the idea on a walk back to the campus library. They both agreed that there was a need for more representation of minority women in medicine and scientific disciplines. That night in lieu of studying Amber typed up the mission statement of Black Women in Medicine with Ashlei by her side designing the infamous logo. They were prepared to take on a new challenge that later transformed into a movement.

Coronavirus (COVID-19) Funeral Assistance

The COVID-19 pandemic has brought overwhelming grief to many families. At FEMA, our mission is to help people before, during and after disasters. We are dedicated to helping ease some of the financial stress and burden caused by the virus.

FEMA is providing financial assistance for COVID-19-related funeral expenses incurred after January 20, 2020.



To be eligible for funeral assistance, you must meet these conditions:

- The death must have occurred in the United States.
- The applicant must be a U.S. citizen, non-citizen national or qualified alien who incurred funeral expenses after January 20, 2020.
- There is no requirement for the deceased person to have been a U.S. citizen, non-citizen national or qualified alien.
- The deceased person's death certificate must indicate the death was attributed to or caused by COVID-19. If a death occurred between Jan. 20 and May 16, 2020, and the death certificate doesn't attribute the death to COVID-19, include a signed statement from the death certificate's certifying official, local coroner or medical examiner that links the cause of death to COVID-19.

Which expenses will qualify for reimbursement?

Examples of eligible expenses may include, but not limited to:

- Transportation to identify the deceased individual
- The transfer of remains
- A burial plot or cremation niche
- A marker or headstone
- Clergy or officiant services
- The use of funeral home equipment or staff
- Cremation or interment costs

What information do I need to provide to FEMA?

Please have the following information before contacting FEMA to apply:

- Name, social security number, date of birth, mailing address and contact phone numbers.
- Name, social security number and date of birth for each deceased individual.
- Location or address where the deceased individual passed away.
- Documentation and receipts for any assistance already received from other sources, including burial or funeral insurance, donations, voluntary agencies, other government programs or non-profit organizations.
- The name and information of any co-applicant(s) if anyone besides yourself incurred funeral expenses for the deceased individual(s).

HOW DO I APPLY FOR THIS ASSISTANCE?

Call FEMA's COVID-19 Funeral Assistance Helpline at 1-844-684-6333 (TTY: 800-462-7585) from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. ET, Monday - Friday and begin the application process.

For fastest service following your application, you can begin submitting documentation online through [Disasterassistance.gov](https://disasterassistance.gov), by fax 855-261-3452.

You can also visit us online at [FEMA.gov/funeral-assistance/faq](https://fema.gov/funeral-assistance/faq). Information is provided in several languages both by telephone and the website.

Documents may also be mailed to:
 COVID-19 Funeral Assistance
 P.O. Box 10001
 Hyattsville, MD 20782



What Does the New York State Budget Mean For You?

The 2023 New York State budget has made major funding commitments to support families, communities, and healthcare workers and institutions. Here are some key provisions and what they mean for New Yorkers.

ISSUE	WHAT IS IN THE BUDGET?	WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR YOU?	HOW DO YOU ACCESS IT?
Safety Net Hospitals	Funding for financially distressed and safety net hospitals	Safety net hospitals are a lifeline throughout the state especially for low-income New Yorkers. Funding shortages have caused many to shut down. The budget helps financially struggling hospitals to stay open and serve their communities.	Safety net hospitals will receive this additional funding through the state's Distressed Provider Assistance Account.
Mental Health	Grants to school districts for mental health services; funding for the suicide prevention & mental health hotline system; funding for hospital mental health services	The COVID pandemic has exposed the serious need for more mental health services in our communities as well as the inequality in access to these services. The budget provides funding to address these gaps.	If your family or community is seeking mental health services call your healthcare provider or school district to inquire about accessing these services.
Homecare Workers	\$3 hourly raise	Homecare workers have waited a long time to receive fair wages for the vital work they do. If the state Medicaid program pays homecare workers a better wage, this means families can hire quality care for their seniors and others who need homecare.	Homecare workers will receive this pay increase through their employers. It will be disbursed in installments starting October.
Frontline Healthcare Workers	Bonuses for our overworked healthcare workers who risked everything while working throughout the pandemic	Our frontline healthcare workers worked without a pause, risking their lives during the last two years of the COVID pandemic. The bonus recognizes their lifesaving work and very long hours.	The bonus will be paid to healthcare workers by the state through their employers.
Medicaid Eligibility Expanded	Expanded for all low-income New Yorkers with disabilities, and age 65 and up	One in three New Yorkers rely on Medicaid. The budget expands the eligibility of Medicaid so that no New Yorker who needs healthcare should go without it.	Contact New York State of Health to check eligibility. Phone: (855) 365-5777 Website: https://nystateofhealth.ny.gov/
Childcare	Funding for childcare	Always a critical need for families, childcare became even more urgent during the pandemic. Eligibility for childcare is set at 300% of the federal poverty level – or a family of three making \$70,000 or less per year.	Contact your local assemblymember or senator's office for information. or Call the state's Office of Children and Family Services at 800-732-5207



*Monroe County in conjunction with the
Rochester—Monroe County Youth Bureau & the
Rochester—Monroe County Youth Board presents*

Young Citizen of the Year Awards

Willie W. Lightfoot Youth Advocate of the Year Awards

"Imagine living in a community ...
Where all young people feel loved and supported by their families and neighbors,
Where youth have many positive, caring places to be,
Where young people know what is expected of them and have strong
values that guide their actions,
Where young people have skills to make healthy choices and have good relationships"



ADAM J. BELLO
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

[Download Application Here](#)

BACKGROUND

The Young Citizen of the Year and Willie W. Lightfoot Youth Advocate of the Year Awards were established by the Monroe County Legislature as one of the highest honors for youth and adult leadership, community service, advocacy and perseverance.

The winners are dynamic Monroe County residents with the passion and drive to change the world, as well as identify and realize solutions to problems. They are committed to strengthening their communities and themselves. The awards pay tribute to outstanding citizens who have made a local contribution toward advocacy and action. Award Recipients in each category will be

mailed a formal invitation to the award ceremony.

ELIGIBILITY

An individual is eligible for consideration if they have exhibited outstanding leadership and performed extraordinary acts on behalf of others or whose achievements have greatly enhanced the quality of life for Monroe County, or has served as a role model for youth advocacy



Hello Members!! Our [new website](#) is now up and running. You will now be able to renew and pay directly online. Members are encouraged to login and create a username and password. Will not be able to access content without your login and password. Your feedback is also welcomed!!

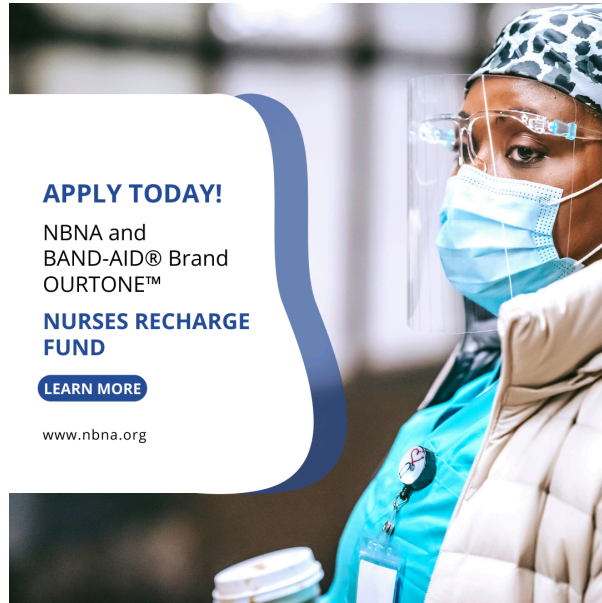
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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

**National Black Nurses Association Opens Applications for
BAND-AID® Brand OURTONE™ Nurses Recharge Fund Program**

Funds will support nurses on the frontline to help alleviate the stress of everyday tasks and responsibilities that await them at home #NBNA NurseRecharge

SILVER SPRING, MD, (May 5, 2022) – The National Black Nurses Association (NBNA) is accepting applications for the BAND-AID® Brand OURTONE™ Nurses Recharge Fund Program. The funds will support nurses on the frontline to help alleviate the stress of everyday tasks and responsibilities that await them at home. The deadline for submission is June 6, 2022.



To apply to the program, [click here](#).

NBNA will select 60 recipients to receive \$2,500 stipends to be used across several categories:

- Childcare
- Grocery / Meal Delivery Services
- Laundry Services
- Cleaning Services
- Fitness / Wellness Services
- Utility Bills

Criteria for applicants:

- NBNA member
- Frontline healthcare worker (Licensed LPN, RN, APRN, NP)
- Must currently be actively employed in a nursing career for at least the last 12 months

Guidelines for stipend:

- Recipients must spend toward only the outlined categories (allowed to spend across several categories)
- Recipients must spend funds and submit validation to NBNA by **November 30, 2022**
- Recipients shall provide
 - (x1) video testimonial
 - (x1) written testimonial
 - (x1) bio
 - (x1) photo
 - provide an executed Waiver and Release Form (attached hereto as Exhibit C) to use across all program materials and platforms

To apply the BAND-AID® Brand OURTONE™ Nurses Recharge Fund Program, [click here](#). Submission deadline is **June 6, 2022**.

APPLY TODAY



**Interdenominational
Health Ministry Coalition**

Health Is A Spiritual Matter

Rev. Phyllis Ray Jackson Legacy Scholarship

Rev. Phyllis Jackson is, first and foremost, a woman of faith who cares deeply about God's people and their wholeness of mind, body, and spirit. As a registered nurse, she has consistently used her nursing knowledge and skills to both initiate and support health promotion efforts within African American churches, as well as in other faith and community settings. Her passion for this work is unmistakable and her vision, her enthusiasm, and her ability to draw others into this work has made a true difference in the health of so many people within the greater Rochester area, especially among the African American churches that have partnered with her in this work. The Interdenominational Health Ministry Coalition (IHMC) is establishing this legacy scholarship in honor of all that she has set in motion.

Application is in the attachments.

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MENTAL HEALTH AND THE PANDEMIC

Text HOME to 741741 to connect with a Crisis Counselor

**NEWLY ADDED MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES
ACCEPTING NEW CLIENTS:**

Serena Viktor LMSW (Founder & Therapist @ Pila Hande Wellness Project LLC:
ubunturoots@gmail.com (accepting self clients only)

214-772-1036

Danni Jo, LMHC: **specializing in Maternal Health Mental Health with a certification in Perinatal Mental Health- 585-420-6174 (accepting new clients)**

La Carla Holmes, FPMHNP: **commonsensemh.com**

National Suicide Prevention Hotline: 1-800-273-8255

YouthLine: Text teen2teen to 839863, or call 1-877-968-8491

<https://www.mharochester.org/>

<https://www.sankofafamilycounseling.com/>

<https://bpnroc.org/>

<https://www.psychologytoday.com>

<https://www.georgetownbehavior.com>

<https://www.augsburg.edu>

<https://blackmentalhealth.com>

BLACK MENTAL HEALTH PROVIDERS

AALIYAH EL- AMIN TURNER, LMHC, NCC | 585-200-7106
POPULATIONS SERVED: ADULTS, COUPLES, CHILDREN AND FAMILIES. SOME INSURANCES ACCEPTED.

ELLI E. ASSIOBO-TIPOH LMHC, NCC, BC-TMH | 585-502-8848
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FELICIA REED-WATT, LCSW | 585-454-9334
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NATURAL RESTORATION COUNSELING AND CONSULTING, JINI FIGUEROA, LCSW | 585-629-6750 | POPULATIONS SERVED: ADULTS, COUPLES, CHILDREN & FAMILIES

NEW BEGINNINGS PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES, DR. STEPHANIE GETER | 585-287-2426 | POPULATIONS SERVED: ADULTS, CHILDREN & FAMILIES, COUPLES. SOME INSURANCES ACCEPTED.

SANKOFA FAMILY COUNSELING SERVICES, LCSW, PLLC
585-491-6646 | POPULATIONS SERVED: ADULTS, CHILDREN & FAMILIES. SOME INSURANCES ACCEPTED.

SYLVIA JOHNSON, LCSW | 585-271-2520 EXT. 1032
POPULATIONS SERVED: ADULTS. SOME INSURANCES ACCEPTED.

TAKE CARE COUNSELING AND CONSULTING SERVICES, VANESSA PEAVY, LCSW | 585-316-0434 | POPULATIONS SERVED: ADULTS AND ADOLESCENTS.

Sharee L. Gunner, M.S., LMHC
Licensed Mental Health Counselor
585-280-4688
support@newwaymentalhealthcounseling.com
www.newwaymentalhealthcounseling.com

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Upcoming Events



Register Today! (June 27–29, 2022)

Camp Heartstrings/Camp Dreams is a three-day camp for children (entering grades 2-11 in September 2022) who are adjusting to the death of a loved one. Developed by Licensed Master Social Workers, this camp promotes understanding, acceptance, healing, and hope through a comprehensive program of activities, as well as plenty of fun. Registration and Additional Camp Information: <https://buff.ly/3L8oEKc>

FINANCES 101

Learn some of the tips, tricks & tools that can help make your money work for you.

Every Monday in May
4:00-5:00pm

Located at His Branches
 Community Room
 340 Arnett Blvd.

Sign up NOW for this free class (starts May 2nd) at hisbranches.org/hbu

Topics include:
 Budgeting,
 Savings and Shopping tips
 Types of bank accounts,
 Retirement
 Credit Card Debt
 Insurance Types
 and more!




FREE BIKE REPAIRS & RAFFLE



SATURDAY, MAY 21st
1:00 - 3:00 PM

Bike Raffle for Ages 5-15

Mix of Sizes and Colors, Helmets Included!

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SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER
Shanceya Cooper
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6PM-12AM

OPEN BAR 6PM-7PM | APPETIZERS | RAFFLES | AWARDS
DINNER @ 7:30PM | LIVE ENTERTAINMENT | DJ
TICKETS : GENERAL ADMISSION \$80 VIP \$100

Contact Felicia Cotton 585-500-9498 or any other committee member for more info

Downtown Holiday Inn
70 State Street Rochester NY 14614

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THIS YEAR'S EVENT IS BOTH
LIVE AND VIRTUAL!

LIVE
SUN, JUNE 19, 1:00PM
GENESEE VALLEY PARK
RIVERBEND SHELTER

VIRTUAL
RUN/WALK AT YOUR OWN PACE FROM
NOW TO JUNE 19TH (AT MIDNIGHT)

Juneteenth is the celebration commemorating the end of slavery in the United States on June 19th, 1865. Please join us from wherever you are to take part in Rochester's 6th annual 5K Run/Walk.

Visit itsyourrace.com to register and/or donate to the Black Community Focus Fund. Registration is open from now through Sunday, June 19, 2022 at midnight, and proceeds will benefit the construction of the Minister Franklin D. Florence Civil Rights Heritage Park. We're excited to announce that CGI Rochester International Jazz Festival will sponsor two live jazz events following the race (more info at itsyourrace.com).

NO ONE IS FREE UNLESS WE ARE ALL FREE!

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ROCHESTER BLACK NURSES ASSOCIATION
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SCHOLARSHIP & AWARDS Brunch

"BREAKING BREAD, BRIDGING THE GAP AND BUILDING COMMUNITY"

Keynote Speaker
MS. MAISHA BEARD

12PM-3PM

COSTS \$40 MEMBERS \$60 NON-MEMBERS

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ROCHESTER ROTARY SUNSHINE CAMP
RUSH, NY

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REGISTRATION
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MARCH 1

WANT TO VOLUNTEER AS A
COUNSELOR? AGES 17+
Contact Carin Adams at
cadams@cscrochester.org

THE ROCHESTER ACADEMY OF MEDICINE

Hi everyone.

We are excited to kick-off our nomination process for the Rochester Academy of Medicine's **2022 Annual Awards!**

Our award program continues to grow in size, reach and popularity as we now have 15 awards spread across five newly designed award categories:

- *Lifetime Achievement*
- *Distinguished Service*
- *Academic*
- *Student Scholarship*
- *RAoM Volunteer of the Year*

We are also excited to share that, within the *Student Scholarship* category, we are proud to be partnering with The Rochester Black Nurses Association who is sponsoring a new student scholarship titled the "Ms. Rosa Wims - The Heart of Community Health, Bridging the Gap" award. This scholarship will be bestowed upon an undergraduate African American/Black nursing student. Details of this scholarship are within the link below.

Nominations are being accepted now through September 1, 2022 and you can view a full listing of the awards and nomination process by clicking this link: [RAoM 2022 Annual Awards](#).

The award program will be on **October 18, 2022 at 6:30 PM** both in-person (1441 East Avenue) and live-streamed.

Thank you, in advance, for joining in on the nomination process and we look forward to your submissions for what will most assuredly be an excellent award program in October!

Marc

Marc Ambrosi
Executive Director
Rochester Academy of Medicine

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RBNA Fundraising Activities



Hello! You have been invited by Wilhelmina Sizer to sign up for "Red Wings Concession." Please click on the button below to view the online [sign up sheet](#).

If interested in ordering RBNA apparel, please reach out to our historian, [Yachica Johnson](#)



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RBNA is set up to receive donations from Upstate Bottle Return 2599 E Henrietta Rd 14623, 4742 West Ridge RD Spencerport, or any of the other 7 locations in surrounding areas. Anyone can drop off bottles or cans and specify it is a donation for Rochester Black Nurses Association and we will receive credit. Check their website for locations upstatebottlereturn.com.

RBNA is set to receive donations from Upstate Bottle

Return

Located at:

2599 East Henrietta Rd.

2314 Lyell Ave.

4742 West Ridge Rd.

1694 Penfield Rd.

There are additional locations in Avon, Albion, Brockport, Caledonia, Hamlin, Holley, Medina & Lockport [see more](#)

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National (NBNA) News


NBNA
NATIONAL BLACK NURSES ASSOCIATION, INC.

Congratulations
New Nurse Graduates!


Class of 2022

We Want to Feature You!
Send your graduation announcement and/or pics to: kricks@nbna.org
Selected photos will be featured on social media platforms and via NBNA News.


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THE NATIONAL BLACK NURSES ASSOCIATION
PRESENTS THE
AD HOC COMMITTEE ON END-OF-LIFE CARE



Dr. Marcia Lowe,
NBNA 2nd Vice-President and Chair



Dr. Alma Dixon, Co-Chair

Ad Hoc Committee on End of Life Care Members

Dr. Helen Bhagwandin	Tiffany Johnson
Dr. Alma Dixon, <i>Co-Chair</i>	Dr. Marcia Lowe, <i>Chair</i>
Rev. Dr. Evelyn Collier Dixon	Dr. Ophelia McDaniel
Tilby Barnes Green	Seara McGarity
Rev. Chad Ricks	

*End-of-Life Chapter Champions is what the Ad Hoc Committee wants **You** to be!*

- **End-of-Life Chapter Champions** pledge to support the Ad Hoc Committee on End of Life Care in its mission to educate chapters and communities about hospice and palliative care.
- Chapters will be supported by the committee.
- **Send your name, phone number, email address, and chapter to Dr. Marcia Lowe at lowekeyd@aol.com if you want to be an End-of-Life Chapter Champion.**

Learn More Champion!

Calling All LPNs/LVNs

New & Seasoned



Interested in collaborating with other LPNs/LVNs from other states?
Want to Learn about other Career and Leadership Opportunities as an LPN/LVN?



We have just the Place!

Join the NBNA LPN Forum Meeting
When: Every 3rd Monday of the Month
Where: Via Zoom



For more information contact:

LPN Board Member and Forum Chair Kim Cartwright, kimjenice@hotmail.com
or
LPN Forum Co-Chair Sabrina Newton, sabtnew72172@gmail.com



We are Nurses Today, Tomorrow & Always!



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URMC| Highland Hospital Post-Graduate Training Program

The application for the rural track will open in March, with an application deadline of May 20, 2022. The urban track closed on March 1, 2022.

University of Rochester's Highland Family Medicine Nurse Practitioner Residency Program

The University of Rochester Family Medicine Residency Program is proud to offer Family Nurse Practitioner (FNP) graduates 2 unique opportunities with an urban and rural track residency program. The urban track is held on-site at Highland Family Medicine (HFM) and a newly expanded rural track in partnership with Tri-County Family Medicine (TCFM). The NP rural track is supported by HFM and a HRSA grant from the Advanced Nursing Education Nurse Practitioner Residency Integration Program.

Our NP Residency is accredited through the National Nurse Practitioner Residency and Fellowship Consortium (NNPRFTC). The program at HFM and TCFM provides FNP graduates with the training required to meet the needs of culturally diverse and clinically complex patients.

NP Residency Benefits
This 12-month NP residency program provides FNP's interested in working in primary care with a number of advantages. In addition to the paid, full-time residency position, NP residents will:

- Improve clinical confidence required for comprehensive primary care.
- Develop outcome-driven skills to care for high-risk patients.
- Prepare for advanced leadership positions.

Candidate Qualifications

- Recent FNP graduate within 12 months from an accredited Masters or Doctor of Nursing Practice program with a desire to work in primary care.
- National certification in Family Practice
- New York State licensure to practice as an FNP with full prescriptive privileges.
- Registered by the Federal Drug Enforcement Agency to prescribe Category II through V drugs.

Curriculum
The NP Residency has four key components:

Preceptor Continuity Clinics
(5-6 sessions per week)
NP residents develop their own patient panel while having a HFM or TCFM clinician as a dedicated preceptor.

Specialty Rotations
(2-4 sessions per week)
Rotations may include: Orthopedics, Pediatrics, Geriatrics, Diabetes Care, Urology, Women's Health, Behavior Health, Neurology, Cardiology, Oncology, Pain Management/ Palliative Care, Allergy, Immunology, Rheumatology, ENT, GI, Pharmacy, Psychosocial, Dermatology, or Wound Care.

Mentored Clinics
(1 session per week)
NP residents work as a member of a collaborative team and will see patients for acute and episodic care with a dedicated preceptor.

Interprofessional Education Sessions
(1-3 sessions per week)
Hands-on learning sessions with Family Medicine Residents focusing on a variety of complex clinical challenges within the primary care setting.

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2022-2023 application cycle is now open

Postgraduate training program available to FNP graduates who have a strong interest in primary care. Our program was actually one of the first accredited programs for postgraduate training of nurse practitioners through the NNPRFTC.

Briefly about the program: this is a 12-month postgraduate training program for fully licensed FNP's who are beginning their career in family medicine. The goal of the NP residency is to provide confident and competent FNP's to work in primary care. We achieve our goal by providing a yearlong training program to our residents.

There are several key components of the FNP residency.

1. Precepted continuity clinics- This is where the NP residency manages their own patients, with the support of a dedicated preceptor. This increases in a ramped up fashion over the 12 month residency program
2. Specialty rotations- Once a week our residents rotate through specialty offices in the community to learn what resources are available to our patients.
3. Mentored clinics-The NP resident works collaboratively with a NP or MD to care for both acute and chronic patient concerns
4. Interprofessional Education-Interprofessional education happens several times a week with the Family Medicine Residents focusing on complex clinical cases, as well as psychosocial complexities of patients.

Our residency offers two unique tracks. The urban track is held on-site at Highland Family Medicine and the newly expanded rural track is partnered with Tri-County Family Medicine.

We are currently accepting application for the urban track. **Application deadline is March 1, 2022.** If you are interest, please visit our homepage to find the applications: [Highland Family Medicine - Highland Hospital - University of Rochester Medical Center](#)

We have attached our flyer, which provides more details regarding our program. Also, we would be happy to answer any questions. To contact us please email Carissa_singh@urmc.rochester.edu or LuzannC_ampadu@urmc.rochester.edu.

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