

ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER HEALTH SCHOLARSHIPS

PUGGY HUNTER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP SCHEME

The Puggy Hunter Memorial Scholarship Scheme is funded by the Australian Government Department of Health and Ageing, and administered by Royal College of Nursing, *Australia* (RCNA).

Scholarships will be available for the start of the 2010 academic year and are worth up to \$7,500 per year for part time study and up to \$15,000 per year for full time study. Applications will be available to download from www.rcna.org.au from **27 June 2009**.

The scholarship provides financial assistance to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people who are or will be studying at a TAFE (Certificate IV and above) or undergraduate level in the areas of:

- Aboriginal health worker
- Alcohol and other drugs workers
- Allied health (excluding pharmacy)
- Dentistry/oral health
- Health service management
- Health promotion
- Medicine
- Mental health
- Midwifery
- Nursing

Applicants must identify as and be able to prove their Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander status.

Selection will be based on criteria including demonstrated interest and experience in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health, leadership qualities and financial need. This selection is not based on academic achievement.

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Applications close 7 August 2009.

Further information is available by contacting RCNA on free call **1800 688 628** or by email at scholarships@rcna.org.au.

