

## Bursary Program for Personal Care Attendants

The Department of Health and Community Services is committed to health workforce planning including the development of strategies to assist with the recruitment and retention of personal care attendants (PCAs).

The Bursary Program has a limited number of bursaries available for students enrolled in the 30-week Personal Care Attendant/Home Support Worker Program that follows the provincial curriculum standards or equivalent for training of Home Support Workers in Community Settings and Personal Care Attendants in Nursing Home Settings and who are willing to accept employment in a difficult-to-fill position within a regional health authority (RHA) in Newfoundland and Labrador upon successful completion of the program.

Bursary value is a maximum of \$5,000 paid to the student by the RHA in two lump-sum payments of \$1,000 each and one lump-sum payment of \$3,000.

Each \$5,000 bursary will require the student to commit to a 3,900-hour service obligation with the RHA. Students may choose to accept one, two or three installments of the bursary.

Installment	Amount	Payment Received	Service Commitment (in hours)
#1	\$1,000	Week 6	780
#2	\$1,000	Week 12	780
#3	\$3,000	Week 18	2,340
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$5,000</b>		<b>3,900</b>

### How to apply

Students should contact the RHA, in which they would like to work, to obtain an application form. Students are required to provide proof of enrollment in the PCA program when submitting their application to the RHA.

Students must meet all conditions outlined by the RHA before being offered a bursary including, but not limited to, criminal record checks, proof of good academic standing in the program, references and an interview process.

### RHA Contact Information

#### Eastern Health

Regional Nursing Recruitment Consultant  
Tel: (709) 777-1613  
Toll-free: 1 888 866-1333  
Eastern Health Administrative Office  
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St. John's, NL A1E 4J8

#### Central Health

Recruitment Officer  
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Central Health Regional Office  
21 Carmelite Road  
Grand Falls-Winsor, NL A2A 1Y4

#### Western Health

Recruitment Officer  
Tel: (709) 637-5367  
Western Health  
P.O. Box 2005  
Corner Brook, NL A2A 1Y4

#### Labrador-Grenfell Health

Human Resources  
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