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Purpose of Scholarship: Obtaining my MSN in Nursing Informatics

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Boston Chapter (BONS)

Oncology Nursing Society

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Dear Boston Chapter (BONS) Scholarship Committee,

I am writing in response to your 2021 scholarship application. I am a Clinical Research Nurse at Dana-Farber Cancer Institute. I have been in the Early Drug Development Center for the past two years. Prior to this, I was selected for the 2017-2018 Newly Licensed Nurse Research Nurse Residency Program, where I worked in several different areas of oncology nursing at Dana-Farber Cancer Institute and Brigham and Women's Hospital. I am currently a member of DFCI's Research Nurse Committee and the Newly Licensed Nurse (NLN) Steering Committee. Over the past three years as an oncology nurse, I have attended many continuing education seminars and completed Oncology Nursing Society's classroom courses. I am member of the Boston chapter of the Oncology Nursing Society (ONS) and the International Association of Clinical Research Nurses (IACRN), in addition to Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing. I obtained my OCN certification in February 2020, and I most recently attended the 2020 International Nursing Research Congress through Sigma Theta Tau International. I am currently a student at Capella University obtaining my Masters of Science in Nursing with a concentration in Nursing Informatics.

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I would be greatly appreciative of any financial assistance to help fund the furthering of my education. I am working full-time along with obtaining my MSN full-time. I am very intrigued by the field of nursing informatics and the potential to improve the quality of patient care provided through technological advancements. In my current role as a clinical research nurse, I see many opportunities where practices can be improved upon by the introduction of new technology in the workplace. As a future nurse informaticist in oncology practice, I have many visions of the implementation of technological systems that can promote patient safety, improve patient care outcomes, and improve nursing workflow efficiencies. I am currently in the practicum component of my education, and I am completing my practicum at DFCI.

My expected graduation date is within the next four to six months. Following receipt of this scholarship, I can contribute my specialty education to support the Boston chapter of ONS. For example, we can work to enhance the virtual platforms for continuing education seminars for nurses. Also, we can support evidence-based research projects of technological advancements for oncology nurses and patients in the Boston area. There are numerous areas in which the role of informatics can enhance nursing practices, and I would greatly appreciate the opportunity to explore these with you as I serve on the Program Committee.

If awarded a BONS scholarship, I agree to serve on the Program Committee in the following year or provide a presentation to the BONS membership.

I look forward to discussing my application with you. I have enclosed my resume for your review, and I look forward to hearing from you.

Please let me know if you need any additional information.

Sincerely,

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