



Awards for Family Medicine Residents

The Doctors Foundation of Cincinnati, OH annually provides \$1,500 cash awards to **fourth-year family medicine students** who match to a family medicine residency in the Greater Cincinnati/Northern Kentucky geographic region.

- **Purpose** - In March of 2010, the Doctors Foundation established awards to regional medical schools for family medicine students who match to the three residency programs in our geographic region. The purpose of the \$1,500 cash awards is to incent graduating medical students from 12 medical schools in Indiana, Ohio and Kentucky to select family medicine as their specialty and to choose Greater Cincinnati as the location of their residency. The ultimate goal is to increase the number of family medicine physicians who choose to live and work in Greater Cincinnati. An unlimited number of awards will be approved. No longer are medical schools limited to one student per year.
- **Target Group** - Graduating seniors must match to a family medicine residency program at one of three locations in Greater Cincinnati: Bethesda Hospital/TriHealth and The Christ Hospital/University of Cincinnati in Cincinnati, and St. Elizabeth Healthcare in Northern Kentucky. Students must be graduating from one of the following medical schools in Indiana, Kentucky and Ohio: Case Western Reserve, Indiana University, Northeast Ohio Medical University, The Ohio State University, Ohio University, University of Pikeville, University of Toledo, University of Cincinnati, University of Kentucky, University of Louisville, Wright State University, or Marian University.
- **Criteria** - All fourth-year students matched to family medicine residencies in Greater Cincinnati are eligible for the \$1,500 cash award, regardless of age, race, ethnicity, gender, sexual orientation or other condition. The first criterion is a commitment to living in Greater Cincinnati during residency. Three additional criteria are equally weighted: excellence in academics; vision for family medicine; and service to community. These criteria will be judged by the Family Medicine Department chairs based on the ERAS application and the student's residency statement.
- **Award Process** - Students from each of the 12 schools are selected by the chair of the respective Family Medicine Department by April 30th of each year, following the annual residency match process. Unrestricted cash grants of \$1,500 each will be made directly to the medical schools following notification of the student(s) selected by the chair of Family Medicine. The medical schools then distribute the awards to the students. In any given year, if a university does not have a graduating senior matched to one of the three area residency programs, no award will be made to that medical school for that year.
- **Accountability** - A photo, biographical statement and contact information for each student selected by the Chair of Family Medicine must be e-mailed to the Foundation before the grant check can be released. The Foundation requests that awardees provide an annual update to the Foundation with their current contact information, as well as a brief description of their residency and future plans.
- **Media** - Award recipients grant the Doctors Foundation permission to use their likenesses in photographs, video, or other digital media ("photo") in any and all of its publications, including web-based publications, without payment or other consideration.

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