



# Dr. Keith Nolop Medical Career Scholarship Application—\$5000

Full Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail \_\_\_\_\_

Social Security Number \_\_\_\_\_ Have you ever been convicted of a felony? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No

If yes, explain \_\_\_\_\_

Have you applied for this scholarship previously? \_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_ No

If yes, was it under another name(s) and if so what name(s) was it? \_\_\_\_\_

What is the name of the educational facility you have been accepted to attend?  
\_\_\_\_\_

Name of program/degree \_\_\_\_\_

Date program begins \_\_\_\_\_ Will you be a full-time or part-time student? \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated date of graduation? \_\_\_\_\_

Please include with this Application:

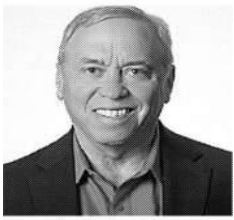
- A copy of the letter of acceptance into a certified healthcare program or college.
- Official copy of transcripts reflecting last two years of academic study, if study occurred within the last 5 years.
- 2 Letters of recommendation:
  - \* Professional (current manager)
  - \* Personal
- A letter stating reasons for choosing the area of healthcare you are interested in as your field of study.

**APPLICATION DEADLINE March 31, 2017**



Please mail application to:

Mobridge Regional Healthcare Foundation  
PO Box 580  
Mobridge, SD 57601



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## Who is Selected?

The Foundation's goal is to award applicants who will choose to pursue a career in the medical field. Award decisions will be made solely at the discretion of the Foundation's scholarship committee, and are final.

## Eligibility

An applicant must be pursuing a healthcare career in a profession involving direct patient care or as a medical researcher. Examples of these professions include doctor, nurse, and pharmacist.

Applicants should inquire with the Foundation staff before they complete the application if they are unsure if requirements for eligibility are satisfied. All funds will be sent directly to the school attended.

## When to Apply?

Scholarship applications are available annually the first week in February and must be completed and returned to the Foundation no later than the last business day in March. Decision will be communicated to the applicant by May 1<sup>st</sup>. For more information about the Dr. Keith Nolop Medical Career Scholarship, call or e-mail Holly Hitland at:

Phone: 605-845-8128

E-mail: [hchitland@primecare.org](mailto:hchitland@primecare.org)

Mobridge Healthcare Foundation provides this annual scholarship opportunity to those pursuing their dream of service to others.

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Dr. Keith Bradley Nolop had a distinguished career of over 25 years in drug development from conception to approval with a focus on allergy, asthma, and cancer products. His work included the blockbuster drug Nasonex, a groundbreaking melanoma treatment, and highly-engineered cancer therapies. He also was the author of over 50 peer-reviewed articles and the recipient of several patents. Born in Minneapolis, MN in 1953, he moved with his family to Mobridge, SD in 1960, where he enjoyed a typical small town boyhood full of activities and games. However, he was not particularly athletic and from an early age, evinced an extraordinary interest in science and math. Rather than play with new toys, he was more likely to take them apart, just to see how they worked. Always a model student, he earned perfect grades from elementary school through college - a rare feat in the days before grade inflation. In high school he was an Eagle Scout, first chair baritone in All-State Band, a representative to Boy's State (where he captured first place in the comprehensive written examination), and the state's highest scorer in the National Merit Scholar competition. He graduated as top student in the Mobridge High School Class of 1971. He studied biology at the University of South Dakota, where he was Editor of the school newspaper (the *Volante*) and a member of Delta Tau Delta fraternity. He was elected to Phi Beta Kappa as a junior and graduated summa cum laude with a Bachelor of Science degree in 1975. His next stop was Vanderbilt University School of Medicine where, true to form, he was honored as first in his class. After receiving his Doctor of Medicine, he began a career in medical research and drug development, starting with a stint at the University of Louisville. Dr. Nolop spent over 11 years with Schering-Plough and then 13 years as Chief Medical Officer for three successful biotechnology companies: CoTherix, Plexxikon, and Kite Pharma. In recent years he was an independent consultant. Keith loved skiing, hiking (especially Yosemite), wine tasting, Latin music, international travel, movies, and playing the bass guitar. He also was active in animal rights organizations.