

## Olivia M. Pakootas Health Sciences Scholarship

In 2019 as her Senior Project, Tommia Pakootas developed the Olivia M. Pakootas Health Sciences Scholarship in memory of her sister. The scholarship is financially backed by Marimn Health to encourage the youth of our community to pursue further education and ultimately, careers in the health sciences field. The award amount is \$2,500 each year.

Eligibility for the scholarship is as follows:

- Enrolled Coeur d'Alene Tribal Member or First-generation Descendants of an enrolled Coeur d'Alene Tribal Member.
- Current High School Senior or student having graduated High School already, in school or planning to return to school.
- Plans to attend college in the Fall semester, pursuing a Health Sciences discipline.
- Current GPA of 3.0 or greater.

Once awarded, the chosen recipient is eligible for multi-year awards (up to 4 years), as long as the following criteria are met each award year:

- Maintain enrollment in a Health Sciences discipline.
- Maintain a college GPA of 3.0 or greater.
- Must remain in good standing with the educational institution.

Additionally, the recipient of the Olivia M. Pakootas Scholarship will have access to mentors with Marimn Health as well as student rotations and internships during their education, if desired.

Applicants must apply with all of the required materials by the deadline each year. The recipient will be chosen by the Marimn Health Leadership Team with final approval by the Marimn Health Board. Should no applicant be chosen in a given year, the award funds will roll into the following award year. Those chosen any given year, need to contact Marimn Health Human Resources before each school year to initiate that year of funding.

**\*\*PLEASE NOTE:** Once an applicant is awarded one Marimn Health scholarship, they become ineligible for any additional undergraduate scholarships from Marimn Health.

**Health Sciences include but are not limited to:**

- Healthcare Administration
- Behavioral Health
- Nursing (RN, BSN)
- Dental Hygiene
- Healthcare Information Systems
- Clinical Laboratory
- Radiology
- Pre- Med/Dentistry/Pharmacy/Physical Therapy
- Other preparatory degrees will be considered on an individual basis

