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**For Immediate Release**

**Deadline Approaching for Student Scholarship Applications**

*Financial aid available for high school seniors studying for career in health care*

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**PLATTSBURGH, NY (4/15/2020)** – Time is running out for high school seniors in the region to apply for scholarships from The Foundation of Champlain Valley Physicians Hospital, with the deadline set for April 22, 2020. The scholarships are available for students who will pursue a career in a health care related field.

“The Coronavirus is impacting the way we live right now,” Haley said. “But it’s not going to last forever. It’s important to think about the future. And for some students, maybe that future can be a life dedicated to providing the best care possible for our community. We are proud to help them down that path.”

The scholarships are available for high school seniors in Clinton and Essex Counties. Fields of study include, but are not limited to:

- Nursing
- Pharmacy
- EMT
- Radiology
- Physical therapy
- Occupational therapy
- Speech therapy

Students are required to write a 100-200 word essay explaining why they wish to pursue a degree in a health care related field. Due to COVID-19 restrictions in place at this time, the Foundation is waiving the guidance counselor signature on the application. The application can be found at this link: <https://www.cvph.org/Foundation/Programs-and-funds-scholarships>.

Scholarship applications must be completed and received by the Scholarship Committee no later than April 22, 2020. They can be mailed to this address:

**Foundation of CVPH  
Scholarship Committee  
75 Beekman Street  
Plattsburgh, NY 12901**

Students with questions should contact their guidance counselor or email Karen Kalman with the Foundation at [KKalman@cvph.org](mailto:KKalman@cvph.org).

“The need for health care workers has never been more critical,” CVPH Associate Vice President of Philanthropy Kerry Haley noted. “Throughout this pandemic, they’ve been there when we’ve needed them the most, as has always been the case. Now we need the next line of health heroes to join the front lines and care for our patients and our community.”

For more information on COVID-19, please visit:

- CDC U.S. Updates: <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/cases-in-us.html>
- New York State Department of Health: <https://www.health.ny.gov/diseases/communicable/coronavirus/>
- CVPH Updates: <https://www.uvmhealth.org/cvph>
- UVM Health Network: [www.uvmhealth.org/Pages/Coronavirus.aspx](http://www.uvmhealth.org/Pages/Coronavirus.aspx)

**You can help stop the spread of infection by:**

- Using soap and water, wash your hands often and for at least 20 seconds each time you wash – especially after using the bathroom; before eating; and after blowing your nose, coughing or sneezing. If soap and water are not available, use an alcohol-based hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol.
- Avoid touching your eyes, nose, and mouth with unwashed hands.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick.
- Stay home when you are sick.
- Cover your coughs and sneezes. If you don’t have a tissue, cough or sneeze into your upper sleeve, not your hands. Remember to wash your hands after coughing or sneezing.
- Clean and disinfect frequently-touched objects and surfaces using a regular household cleaning spray or wipe.

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