

Indian Health Service Rockville MD 20857

November 28, 2023

Dear Tribal Leader and Urban Indian Organization Leader:

I am pleased to announce the list of eligible degree programs for the Indian Health Service Scholarship Program (IHSSP) in Academic Year (AY) 2024-2025.

Annually, after requesting your assistance in identifying priority health professions for inclusion into IHSSP-eligible categories in the upcoming academic year, the Indian Health Service (IHS) Office of Human Resources, Division of Health Professions Support develops the list of eligible degree programs.

Newly eligible degree programs for AY 2024-2025 will include the following:

IHS Health Professions Scholarship

- Dental Hygiene Bachelor's of Science (BS) Degree
- Environmental Health BS Degree
- Occupational Therapist Master's of Science Degree
- Diagnostic Radiology Technologist Associate's Degree and BS Degree

IHS Preparatory Scholarship

• Post-Baccalaureate Programs – Pre-Medical and/or Pre-Dental

Beginning on December 15, 2023, interested applicants will be able to apply online at <u>https://www.ihs.gov/scholarship/apply/</u>. Please direct them to the IHS Scholarship web site for further information. A complete list of eligible degree programs for AY 2024-2025 is enclosed.

I am asking for your help in widely sharing this opportunity among your medical and community-based networks. As you may be aware, IHSSP funding plays a vital role in reducing the financial burden of health professions educational costs for Tribal members, while increasing the number of American Indian and Alaska Native health care professionals. These scholarships are essential to expanding access to care and addressing clinical shortages within our communities.

If you have any questions, please directly contact CAPT Michael L. Bartholomew, M.D., by telephone at (301) 443-2349, or by e-mail at michael.bartholomew@ihs.gov.

Sincerely,

Roselyn Tso Digitally signed by Roselyn Tso -S Date: 2023.11.28 S

Roselyn Tso Director

Enclosure: IHS Scholarship Program 2024-2025 Eligible Disciplines