

*Lung and Respiratory Disease**Nursing Scholarship*

*Scholarships will be awarded  
in the amount of \$5,000 each  
for the academic year.*

**Application Procedure**

**Registered Nurses** may obtain an application packet from the Eight and Forty through:

**The American Legion**

Americanism and Children & Youth Division  
Attn: Eight & Forty Nursing Scholarship  
P.O. Box 1055  
Indianapolis, IN 46206  
317-630-1323

Requests are accepted year-round; however, applications are not mailed until February of each scholarship year.

Announcement of scholarship recipients is made on or before July 1 of the same year.

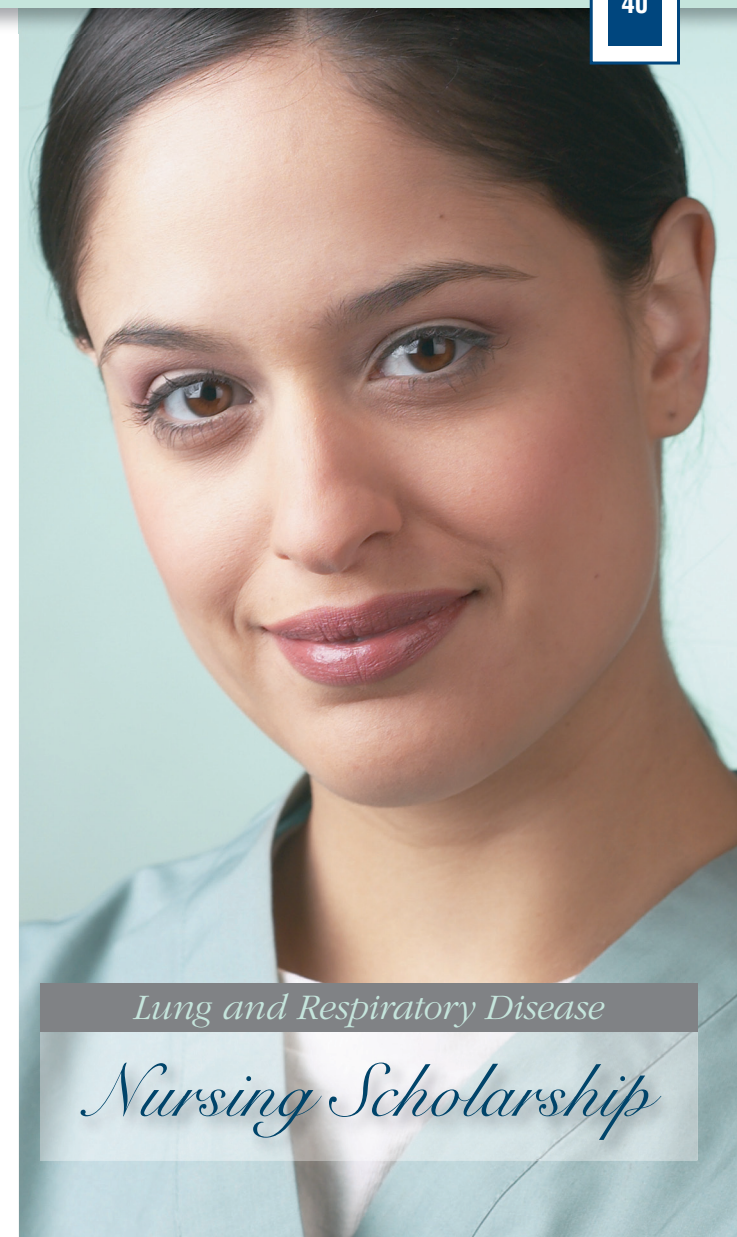
ALL APPLICATIONS AND  
REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION  
MUST BE POSTMARKED  
NO LATER THAN **MAY 15.**

**La Boutique des Huit Chapeaux  
et Quarante Femmes  
(Eight and Forty)**

The Eight and Forty was organized in June, 1922. The organization held its first Marche Nationale that same year in New Orleans, Louisiana.

Although the organization was originally founded to provide its members with fun and fellowship, it was soon discovered it could be of service. The following objective was added to its organizational plan in 1924 — “such service to be particularly concerned with child welfare.” From there the National Child Welfare Committee of The American Legion gave to the Eight and Forty as a special assignment: “Preventive tuberculosis service along educational lines with, when possible, financial assistance providing for care and treatment of children in cooperation with recognized agencies and methods.” This assignment was later expanded beyond tuberculosis to “lung and respiratory diseases in children.”

In the course of providing this service, the need for nurses educated in the special area of lung and respiratory disease patients became evident. With that in mind, the Eight and Forty established this scholarship to assist registered nurses in expanding their knowledge in the lung and respiratory disease area. Since the first awards were made in 1957, over 1.4 million dollars have been provided to nurses interested in gaining more knowledge in this critical care area.

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## Eight and Forty

### *Lung and Respiratory Disease*

## *Nursing Scholarship*

The Eight and Forty Lung and Respiratory Disease Nursing Scholarship was established to assist Registered Nurses, desiring to obtain advanced training in pediatric lung and respiratory diseases, prepare for positions in clinical practice, management, and/or teaching.

#### ***Appropriate positions include:***

Instructor of nurses with curriculum that includes pediatric lung and respiratory diseases.

Nurse administrator or supervisor in a healthcare facility that offers pediatric lung and respiratory disease treatment or therapy.

Staff nurse in a healthcare facility that provides treatment or therapy for pediatric lung and respiratory disease patients.

Applicants are specifically required to have prospects of full-time employment that have a direct relationship with pediatric lung and respiratory diseases to be considered.



#### **Scholarship Requirements**

Registered Nurses with a current state license who are graduates of a regionally accredited school of nursing or will be by the application deadline.

Registered nurses that desire to continue their nursing education in the field of pediatric lung and respiratory diseases on a part-time or full-time basis.

Evidence of acceptance by a regionally accredited school of nursing that will enable the applicant to fulfill the purpose for which the scholarship was established.

United States Citizen.

Leadership qualities.

Ability to pursue full-time employment after school.



#### **Scholarship Selection**

Awards are made on the basis of personal and academic qualifications with consideration given to past experience and future employment plans as they relate to pediatric lung and respiratory disease nursing.

#### **Completed applications must be accompanied by the following and postmarked no later than May 15:**

- Current state Registered Nurse license or registration.
- Three (3) letters of recommendation on the forms provided with the application.
- Transcripts for all college credit attempted.
- Letter of acceptance from a regionally accredited school of nursing.

Applications that are incomplete or lack required documentation will not be considered. All decisions of the Selection Committee, composed of members of the Eight and Forty, are final.

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