

# Nursing *focus*



## 2014 VGH and UBC Hospital Foundation Nursing Awards



VCH - Vancouver is committed to supporting staff in continuing their education in the field of health care. The following annual awards, for which nursing staff employed at VCH - Vancouver may apply, provide ongoing funding to support the professional development of nurses in order to enhance the quality of care and services.

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**<< Application deadline – Friday, March 14, 2014 >>**

**Successful recipients will be recognized during  
National Nursing Week on May 12, 2014**

# Who can apply for a nursing award?

Nursing staff must be currently employed within **Vancouver Community of Care** to be considered. Please see specific requirements for each award below. If casual, total seniority hours must be more than 3744 hours.



Payment receipts for your expenditure(s) must be dated between the 2013/2014 fiscal year (April 1, 2013 – March 31, 2014).

Nursing Award	
VGH School of Nursing Alumnae Building Society/Association Bursary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>RNs and LPNs from VGH, UBCCH and G.F. Strong Rehabilitation Centre</li> </ul>
Cordula and Günter Paetzold Nursing Education Bursary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>RNs, RPNs and LPNs from VCH-Vancouver</li> <li>Regional/Corporate staff with nursing backgrounds with at least 50% of their work focus benefiting VCH-Vancouver nursing staff (e.g. Regional Clinical Educator)</li> </ul>
Andrew David Stagg Memorial Fund	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>RNs, RPNs, LPNs, PCAs, RCAs from VCH-Vancouver</li> </ul>
Clara Y. Lim Scholarship	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>RNs from VGH, UBCCH and G.F. Strong Rehabilitation Centre</li> </ul>
Joan Russell Nursing Mentorship Award	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>RNs from VGH, UBCCH and G.F. Strong Rehabilitation Centre and Mary Pack Arthritis Society</li> </ul>

## Available Nursing Awards

- [VGH School of Nursing Alumnae Building Society/Association Bursary](#)
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## VGH School of Nursing Alumnae Building Society/Association Bursary

- Each applicant may be eligible to receive reimbursement up to \$2,000.00 per year to a lifetime maximum of \$10,000.00 for tuition, fees and books. The amount of money granted will be based on the number of applicants and the actual dollar amount allocated to the bursary each year.
- Conferences and conference-related travel costs will not be considered.
- Priority will be given to staff employed at VGH, UBC Hospital or G.F. Strong Rehabilitation Centre for at least two years (casual: seniority hours more than 3744) and who have contributed to the improvement of patient care. Preference is given to VGH School of Nursing Graduates and the VGH School of Nursing/UBC Collaborative Nursing Program provided all other criteria are fulfilled.

## The Clara Y. Lim Scholarship

- Awarded each year for Graduate Studies. Eligibility includes the same criteria for School of Nursing Alumnae plus the recipient will be selected based upon his/her leadership qualities, e.g. the nurse's contribution to the improvement of patient care through preceptorship, mentorship, development of standards of practice, or involvement in other leadership activities. One lifetime award of \$500 is given per year to one recipient to be applied against tuition and/or books.

## The Cordula and Günter Paetzold Nursing Education Bursary

- Dollars will be allocated for tuition, registration fees, books as well as costs associated with conferences such as out-of-town travel and accommodation.
- Each applicant may be eligible to receive reimbursement up to \$2,000.00 per year to a lifetime maximum of \$10,000.00 over a five year period. The amount of money granted will be based on the number of applicants and the actual dollar amount allocated to the bursary each year.
- Priority will be given to VCH-Vancouver staff employed for at least two years (casual: seniority hours more than 3744) and who have contributed to the improvement of patient care.

## The Andrew David Stagg Memorial Fund

- Each applicant will be limited to a maximum of \$3000.00 over a period of five years. The amount of money granted will be based on the number of applicants and the actual dollar amount allocated to the bursary each year.
- Dollars will be allocated only for tuition, fees and books.
- Conferences and conference-related travel costs will not be considered.
- Priority will be given to VCH - Vancouver staff employed for at least two years (casual: seniority hours more than 3744) and who have contributed to the improvement of patient care.

## Joan Russell Nursing Mentorship Award

- A once in a lifetime award of \$1000 is granted yearly to one recipient for nursing professional development.
- Nurses at Vancouver Acute Services (VGH, UBC, GF Strong & Mary Pack Arthritis Program) are eligible and [must be nominated](#) for this annual award by their colleagues. Supporting letters should come from individuals such as the *Patient Services Manager, Educator, Clinical Nurse Specialist*, as well as *mentees* and *peers*.
- Role models excellence as a professional nurse.
- Demonstrates outstanding interpersonal and communication skills.

- Shares wisdom and experience gained throughout her/his professional career.
- Consistently acts as a guide to students or nurses in new roles by welcoming them, offering assistance and coaching them through new experiences.
- Demonstrates faith in the potential contribution of others, encourages nurses to have confidence in themselves, accept challenges and try new roles/ideas.
- Focuses on personal achievements/successes of others, rather than his/her own success, offering opportunities for others to develop their skills and talents.
- Supports others to develop and implement progressive or innovative ideas in nursing.
- Enhances nursing practice through the motivation of others to advance nursing knowledge and utilize research findings.
- Provides leadership that is visionary, visible and proactive.

## What can the bursaries cover?

Nursing-related expenditures from approved recognized educational institutions may include:

- Post-Basic Certificate
- Diploma
- Baccalaureate, Masters or Doctoral program in the field of Health Sciences or other related disciplines
- Short Courses
- Seminars
- Workshops
- Accredited Certification Exams
- Nursing Educational Equipment, Books & Materials
- Nursing Research Projects that increase the professional growth of nurses and enhance the quality of patient care
- Conferences



All or partial costs associated with conferences such as out-of-town travel and accommodation may also be eligible in some cases.

**Refer to each nursing award found in the [Available Nursing Awards](#) section for any noted exclusions or contact VCH-Vancouver Professional Practice Nursing at [VANursingAwards@vch.ca](mailto:VANursingAwards@vch.ca) for clarification.**

Requests to fund study time, computers, day care expenses, etc. will not be considered.

### Expectations

1. Successful candidates will work at VCH - Vancouver for a minimum of one-year post completion of their course/program.
2. Applicants must be able to articulate how the proposed education would increase their knowledge and professional skills to enhance the quality of patient care and services.
3. Courses/programs must be accredited and/or offered by recognized educational institutions.
4. Receipts must bear the applicant's name, date of payment, course or book title, and amount paid.

# About the Nursing Awards and the Generosity of Our Donors

## *VGH School of Nursing Alumnae Building Society/Association Bursary*

The Vancouver General Hospital School of Nursing Alumnae Association created the Vancouver General Hospital Nursing Alumnae Building Society in 1963 to develop an apartment building “The Manor” in Vancouver. The Manor was intended to provide economical housing for retired nurses. However, over the years it has provided housing for low income seniors most of whom have not been retired nurses. The Society and the Association decided that it was in their best interests to sell the Manor and use the sale proceeds to support nursing education and research.

In 2001, the Society entered into an agreement with the City of Vancouver and Coast Foundation to sell the Manor. In 2002, the Society made a very generous donation to the VGH & UBC Hospital Foundation for the purpose of creating an educational and research endowment fund to support nurses including Nursing Alumnae at VGH, UBC Hospital and G.F. Strong Rehabilitation Centre. Interest income generated from this endowment provides bursaries and scholarships in perpetuity.

## *The Clara Y. Lim Scholarship Award*

The Clara Y Lim Scholarship was established by her daughter, Diana Fuoco and grandsons in her memory to support graduate studies for registered nurses at VGH, UBCH and GF Strong Rehab Centre.

Clara Lim graduated from the VGH School of Nursing in 1941 and throughout her extensive career, her primary goal was to protect the interests of the patient and improve quality of care at VGH. The successful recipient of this annual award demonstrates exceptional leadership qualities and a keen interest in improving patient care.

## *The Cordula and Günter Paetzold Nursing Education Bursary*

Mrs. Cordula Paetzold, in the spirit of giving and as a committed philanthropist and business woman, established The Cordula and Günter Paetzold Nursing Education Endowment Fund in 2002 to honour her husband Günter and provide critical resources for nursing educational purposes. This endowment fund supports VGH & UBC Hospital nursing education, professional development, and research projects.

## *The Andrew David Stagg Memorial Fund*

The Andrew David Stagg Memorial Fund was established to support education and professional development, promoting life long learning for nurses. The memorial fund was established by Debby and David Stagg in 2003 in memory of their son Andrew Stagg.

## *The Joan Russell Nursing Mentorship Award*

The Joan Russell Nursing Mentorship Award recognizes the important contribution nursing mentors make to the development of nursing staff. The mentorship relationship is based on the wisdom, expertise and council of mentors, paired with the mentee’s enthusiasm, motivation and desire to learn. This annual Award has been named in honour of Joan Russell, who retired in 2002 after a distinguished 42 year career at VGH. She is the essence of an extraordinary mentor who always challenged nursing staff to reach their full potential.

# 2014 VCH – Vancouver Nursing Awards APPLICATION FORM

**Deadline: Friday, March 14, 2014**

For VCH-Vancouver Nursing Staff only. Please print clearly or complete electronically.

## Personal Information

Name	Home Telephone
Home Address	Email Address
City	Postal Code

## Work Details

Employee ID#	Job Title
Department/Unit	Manager's Name/Phone
Designation (if any)	Your Work Phone
Work Site (select only one) <input type="checkbox"/> VGH <input type="checkbox"/> UBCH <input type="checkbox"/> GFS <input type="checkbox"/> Community (specify location)	
Employment Status (select only one)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Permanent Full Time <input type="checkbox"/> Permanent Part Time <input type="checkbox"/> Casual – indicate total seniority hrs (must be >3744 hrs) =	

## Are You A...

<input type="checkbox"/> VGH School of Nursing Graduate
<input type="checkbox"/> VGH School of Nursing/UBC Collaborative Program Graduate
<input type="checkbox"/> Member of VGH School of Nursing Alumnae Association
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)

## Course/Program Information (check all that apply and complete table)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Post-Basic Certificate | <input type="checkbox"/> Baccalaureate | <input type="checkbox"/> Masters                                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Doctorate |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Diploma Programs       | <input type="checkbox"/> Short Courses | <input type="checkbox"/> Accredited Certification Exam               |                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Books                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Conference    | <input type="checkbox"/> Out-of-town Conference Travel/Accommodation |                                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Seminar                | <input type="checkbox"/> Workshop      | <input type="checkbox"/> Nursing Educational Research Projects       |                                    |

Course/Program Name	Institution	Start Date mm/dd/yy	End Date mm/dd/yy	F/T or P/T	Associated Cost(s) Description	\$ Cost
					Total Amount Request:	\$

**ORIGINAL RECEIPTS PREFERRED HOWEVER, A DETAILED ONLINE STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT FROM THE INSTITUTION IS ACCEPTABLE PROVIDING IT BEARS YOUR NAME, INSTITUTION NAME, PAYMENT DATE, AMOUNT, AND DETAILED ITEM DESCRIPTION.**  
**THE PAYMENT DATE ON RECEIPT(S) MUST BE BETWEEN APRIL 1, 2013 AND MARCH 31, 2014**

**Workplace Contributions**

Please describe the ways in which you have made contributions to the team, unit, and/or organization.

*For example, by coaching and mentoring new staff, participating in unit practice council and/or developing practice guidelines, decreasing staff injuries, improving patient care.*

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**How has/will this education contribute to quality care and services and/or your career objectives?**  
(100 words or less)

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**Funding**

Have you or will you be receiving funding/reimbursement from Vancouver Coastal Health for any expenses you are claiming on this application?  yes  no If yes, please detail when and dollar amount(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Have you received any reimbursement from any of the VGH & UBC Hospital Foundation Nursing Awards in the past?  yes  no If yes, please detail when and dollar amount(s) \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about the 2014 Nursing Awards?  
 Manager  Poster  Email  Prof Practice Website  Colleague  Other





## Signature

I certify that the above information is correct and complete. I confirm my registration is in good standing with my regulatory body (i.e., CRNBC or CLPNBC). If no, indicate here  no

I understand that any false or incomplete information submitted in support of my application may invalidate my application. By accepting one of the nursing awards listed on this application, I hereby grant Vancouver Coastal Health the right to publish my name and picture within VCH communications.

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Date

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Signature of Applicant

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Signature of Manager

### Application Process

1. Complete a nursing award application form and have it signed by your Manager
2. Attach a copy of your resume
3. Attach original receipts for all courses/materials applied for (detailed online Statement of Account is also acceptable). **Note: date of payment must fall between April 1, 2013 and March 31, 2014**
4. Provide a photo of yourself (.jpg format preferred)
5. Priority will be given to staff members who have not received previous funding from this or other nursing awards offered within the organization
6. All applicants will receive an acknowledgement of receipt of their application, and, if successful, an invitation to attend an Awards Ceremony on May 6 to have their career plans acknowledged and receive the nursing award cheque at that time. Recipients are encouraged to write thank you cards to donors
7. A list of successful recipients and the dollar amounts will be published annually
8. Upon completion of the program, recipients are encouraged to share the knowledge gained with fellow colleagues through formal or informal sessions

**\*\* Please note that ALL of the above information is required for the application and selection process. Applications that are not complete by the due date will be automatically disqualified. Please refer to attached checklist. \*\***

#### AVAILABLE AWARDS

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#### **REMIT YOUR APPLICATION AND REQUIRED DOCUMENTS TO:**

Allison Ross, Administrative Assistant  
2014 Vancouver Nursing Awards  
c/o Professional Practice Nursing Vancouver  
VGH – CP380

Or email the above and any questions to: [VANursingAwards@vch.ca](mailto:VANursingAwards@vch.ca)

# 2014 NURSING AWARD APPLICATION CHECKLIST

NAME	DATE

<b>✓</b>	<b>Please include all necessary information listed below to complete your application before submission.</b>
	Review criteria for applying
	Complete Application
	Manager signature obtained
	Attach Receipts - receipt(s) <b>MUST</b> fall within the fiscal year (April 1, 2013 – March 31 2014).
	Resume attached
	Photo attached or please email in JPEG format
	5 nomination signatures plus 2 letters of support attached( <b>Joan Russell Nursing Mentorship Award only</b> )
Award amount requested: _____	

***\*It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure all required documentation is submitted.***

***\*Applications that **ARE NOT** complete will be automatically disqualified.***

*\*All receipts MUST fall within the fiscal year (April 1 2013 – March 31, 2014). If they do not fall within the current fiscal year, then we invite you to apply for the 2015 Nursing Awards.*

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**Possible eligibility for:**

VGH School of Nursing Alumnae

Cordula and Günter Paetzold Nursing Education Bursary