

# Health Profession Scholarship Privacy Policy



This notice applies to those applying for a health profession scholarship offered through Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Dakota Caring Foundation. This entity is referred to as “we,” “us” and “our” in this notice. Note that applicants are also subject to Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Dakota’s (BCBSND) general privacy practices: [www.bcbsnd.com/privacy/policy](http://www.bcbsnd.com/privacy/policy).

## Protecting Your Information

We understand the importance of keeping your information private and make it one of our top priorities. We are required by law to protect the privacy of your information. Your information is referred to as “protected identifiable information” (PII). PII is information that can be used on its own or with other information to identify, contact or locate a person or to identify an individual in context such as your name, address and telephone number.

This notice explains how, when and why we collect, use and disclose your information and about your rights concerning your information. We must follow the privacy practices described in this notice. This notice will remain in effect until we modify it.

We may change our privacy practices and this notice at any time. Any changes will apply to the PII we already have. When we make a significant change in our privacy practices, we will change this notice and send the new notice to our past and present scholarship applicants.

## Collection of Information

Blue Cross Blue Shield of North Dakota’s website does not directly collect information from scholarship applicants. Individuals interested in applying for a scholarship may apply by obtaining the application form on the website. However, the forms cannot be submitted through the website. They are to be sent via email.

## Use and Sharing of Information

Information collected via scholarship applications will be used for verifying the eligibility of the applicant, determining the best candidates, and notifying the recipient of the scholarship.

By submitting a scholarship, you agree to be contacted via email or phone if there are questions regarding your application. Furthermore you will be contacted on the funding decision regarding your application. You will not receive unsolicited mail, email, or phone calls. We reserve the right to contact the references listed on the scholarship application, as well as contact the college or university to validate the information that the applicant submitted is accurate.

Unless the applicant provides written authorization or unless required by law or when we believe that disclosure is necessary to protect our rights, safety or investigate fraud; applicant’s personal information will not be shared beyond the BCBSND Caring Foundation staff and board and the Scholarship Selection Committee.

## Contact Us

For more information about our health profession scholarships, visit [www.ndcaring.org](http://www.ndcaring.org). For more information about your privacy, you may contact 1-800-342-4718 or write to: BCBSND Caring Foundation PO Box 2423 Fargo, ND 58108