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Gascoyne Aboriginal Youth Leadership Scholarship now open

WA Primary Health Alliance (WAPHA) is proud to announce it is sponsoring the 2017 Gascoyne Aboriginal Youth Leadership Scholarship (GAYLS).

WAPHA regional manager Jodie Green said the scholarship was aimed to help a young Indigenous person to learn from a practical leadership experience, personal development or mentoring to benefit themselves and their community by sharing their experience.

“Through the Gascoyne Aboriginal Youth Leadership Scholarship the successful applicant will receive up to \$1000,” Ms Green said.

“We believe that supporting young people in leadership development will provide them with the foundations to be future leaders in the Gascoyne region.”

The scholarship program, in its sixth year, will be delivered by WA Country Health Service – Midwest.

WA Country Health Service -Midwest population health physician Dr Marisa Gilles said the successful applicant must be prepared to share their leadership experience within 12 months of completing the scholarship.

“Applicants must be under 18 years of age, live in the Gascoyne region and be currently undertaking secondary studies,” Dr Gilles said.

Ms Green said previous recipients of the scholarship have all demonstrated their leadership abilities in a variety of ways.

2016 recipient Danika Councillor-Warner used the scholarship to contribute towards the cost of attending a Youth For Understanding Student Exchange program in Canada.

In 2013 Talisa Stratton represented Carnarvon at the Youth Advisory Council’s YAction youth forum in Perth, while 2011 winner, Hugh Sando, attended a cultural leadership camp at Karijini and relayed his experience to students at Carnarvon Senior High school to inspire them to follow their dreams.



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Applications are now open and interested young Aboriginal people are encouraged to contact Lynne Mitchell on 9941 0504 to obtain an application package and discuss their submission.

Mentoring in completing the application is available.

Applications close at 5pm on Friday, 21 April 2017.

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- WA Primary Health Alliance operates WA's three Primary Health Networks; Perth South, Perth North and Country WA

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