

To: Applicants, Competitive Research Award Program

From: Michigan Nurses Foundation

The Michigan Nurses Foundation is pleased to announce that applications are available for the 2008 Competitive Research Award – CURN. The application can be accessed on the Michigan Nurses Foundation website at www.michigannursesfoundation.org.

The following conditions govern the Competitive Research Award Program:

1. The Competitive Research Award is designed for funding of either conduct of research or utilization of research in practice. Nursing studies, which have direct impact on patient care or studies examining the relationship between nursing work force variables and patient care, will receive priority. Multidisciplinary studies with a nursing focus will be considered. Basic or laboratory research will not be considered.
2. The principal investigator must be a registered nurse who is licensed to practice in Michigan and living in the state, and possess or be working on a masters or doctoral degree. The principal investigator must be a member of the Michigan Nurses Association.
3. Proposals must be postmarked no later than July 15 to be considered.
4. Applications for grants in any amount up to \$5,000 will be considered. Applications requesting budgets totaling more than \$5,000 will not be reviewed.
5. Recipients will be known as “CURN Scholars”; all publications and publicity must reflect such title and acknowledge the Michigan Nurses Foundation. CURN Scholars will be asked to present their research at the MNA Convention or to write an article for publication in *Michigan Nurse* describing their research and its implications for nursing practice.
6. Funding will be awarded at the annual MNA Convention in October. Recipients will be notified in advance and will be encouraged to be present at the Convention to receive recognition.
7. An annual interim (progress) report is due October 1 of each year and a final report upon completion of the project. All reports must be in American Psychological Association (APA) fourth edition format. Neither copies of dissertations nor masters theses are acceptable as final reports.