

**2026 Nursing Scholarships
Overview and Eligibility Requirements
Application Form**

EDWARD MOSS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Two Awards: \$2,500 each

The intent of the "Edward Moss Memorial Scholarship", established by late U.S. Senator Edward M. Kennedy and endowed in 1966, is to provide financial assistance to a current Cooley Dickinson employee who is either currently accepted or enrolled full time in an accredited school of nursing, working to complete an associate's degree, a three-year diploma, a bachelor's degree or a master's degree in nursing.

THERESE CONNOR NURSING EDUCATION FUND

Two Awards: \$2,500 each

Financial assistance is available on an annual basis to registered nurses at Cooley Dickinson through the 'Therese Connor Nursing Education Fund' as follows:

- The nursing professional must currently be certified in the Oncology area to renew his/her Certification (first preference), or to continue further education in the Oncology area.
- The nursing professional must be beginning, engaged in, or completing course work for certification in Oncology.
- In the absence of qualified individuals described above, nursing professionals seeking certification in another specialty area or renewal of existing certification would qualify.

This fund is named in memory of Therese Connor, a nurse at the hospital for many years.

HOW TO APPLY

If interested and qualified, you are invited to complete an application and write a 750-word essay.

Required Essay: In 750 words or less, discuss the following:

- Why you have chosen to begin/advance your professional education in the nursing/medical field
- How your goals demonstrate your commitment to health care and the community
- Why you would like to be the recipient of the Scholarship
- What professional relationship you might have with Cooley Dickinson

Your completed application and essay should be received no later than **Friday, April 3, 2026** and should be submitted via e-mail to development@cooleydickinson.org or mailed to the address below:

Cooley Dickinson Hospital
Development Office
P.O. Box 329
Northampton, MA 01061-0329

Scholarship decisions will be made by May 31, 2026. Anyone with questions should call the Cooley Dickinson Development Office at (413) 582-2255 or e-mail development@cooleydickinson.org.

Thank you for your interest in Cooley Dickinson Hospital Nursing Scholarships!

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ELIGIBILITY STATUS: I am both eligible and interested in applying for the following scholarship funding opportunities:

- Edward Moss Memorial Scholarship Fund
- Therese Connor Nursing Education Fund

Today's Date: _____

Applicant Name:	Age:
Attending High School name:	Graduating Class Year:
Local Address (Street, City/Town, State, Zip Code)	
E-mail:	Phone #:
Name(s) of parents or legal guardian:	

Education

Accredited U.S. College/University You Plan to Attend (if not confirmed, list first choice) or Certification Program:
College Application or Certification Program Application Status:
Intended Major or Certification Specialty:

Biographical Information

Current Employment, including assigned work unit and employment status (mandatory):

Nursing/Medical Field/Caring Experience:

Honors and Awards:

Service to the Community, Outside Activities, and Interests: