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## **HOSPICE AND PALLIATIVE NURSES FOUNDATION (HPNF) ANNOUNCES CERTIFICATION SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS**

PITTSBURGH, PA January 2, 2014 – **Deborah Brunelle, CHPN®; Carol Jean Cullinan, CHPN®; Megan Feeney King, CHPN®; Patricia A. Lee, CHPN®; Lisa Ann Levy, CHPN®; Brenda Wilkerson, CHPN®; JoAnne Chitwood, CHPN®** were awarded scholarships for new and renewing NBCHPN® certifications during the June and September 2013 testing windows. The HPNF Certification Scholarship is designed to financially support Hospice and Palliative Nurses Association (HPNA) members with reimbursement of the investment associated with receiving an NBCHPN® certification.

The scholarships are competitive and provide reimbursement of new and renewing certification fees to qualified individuals selected by the HPNF Certification Scholarship Review Committee. Seven awards are given, with preference for one at each level of certification ~ Advanced Practice, Generalist Nurse, Licensed Practical/Vocational Nurse, Nursing Assistant, Administrator, Pediatric Registered Nurse and the new Perinatal Loss Care. Certification validates an individual's competence and knowledge in the specialty area of hospice and palliative care. Certification is highly valued and provides formal recognition of achieving a standard of knowledge in the specialty of hospice and palliative care. To learn more about NBCHPN® certification please visit their website at [www.nbchpn.org](http://www.nbchpn.org)

### **About the Hospice and Palliative Nurses Foundation**

The Hospice and Palliative Nurses Foundation (HPNF) is a 501 (c)(3) nonprofit organization whose mission is to support quality of life in persons experiencing serious illness by enhancing nursing excellence. HPNF provides professional development opportunities to HPNA members and NBCHPN® certificants with scholarships for education, conferences and certification along with nursing research grants and leadership awards. HPNF awards approximately 45 grants, awards and scholarships and the Foundation looks forward to continuing to increase this commitment. HPNF depends on the generous spirit of individuals, families, organizations and corporations and raises funds through appeals, giving circles, planned giving, special events, merchandise promotions, and corporate partnerships to name a few methods. Gifts can be made online, by mail, or by telephone where you can be personally assisted. Please visit our website at [www.hpnf.org](http://www.hpnf.org), or call us at 1-412-787-9301 for assistance.

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