

# Appalachian Health Graduate Fellowships 2025-2027

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Blueprint Kentucky (*formerly CEDIK*) at the University of Kentucky is pleased to administer a two-year Fellowship program for students from Appalachia that are enrolled in graduate education in a health field. The fellowships are awarded for two years, for a total of \$20,000 (\$10,000 will be awarded in the fall of each academic year). Applicants must have a permanent address in Appalachia and demonstrate clear intention to return to Appalachia to pursue a health career.

Those awarded a fellowship will be expected to virtually attend quarterly mentoring sessions with Blueprint Kentucky staff. Awardees will also be expected to provide a short written reflection at the end of each fellowship year.

**To be considered for the fellowship**, the following materials need to be **postmarked by June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2025** to the address below:

1. **This application form.**
2. **Evidence of acceptance to an accredited institution** in a full-time post-graduate program of study in one of the following health care fields: medicine, pharmacy, dentistry, and nursing.
3. **College transcripts** (both current and completed programs) **AND professional exam scores.**
4. **Three letters of recommendation.** (**Two** need to be from post-secondary faculty mentors, and **One** from a person who can speak to your professional pursuits)
5. **A current resume** that includes your contact information, education, paid and unpaid work/internship experience, volunteer experience, and other associations/honors/extracurriculars.
6. **A personal statement** (not more than 3 pages) which outlines your reasons for going in to the health profession you are studying.
7. **A separate statement** (not more than 2 pages) which outlines your commitment to practicing in Appalachia upon completion of your professional studies.

Blueprint Kentucky  
Appalachian Health Graduate Fellowship Committee c/o Sarah Bowker  
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The fellowship committee will consider all complete, on-time application packets and send out award notices around June 23rd, 2025. It is anticipated that 7 fellowships will be awarded.

*Note: No calls or emails, please. All applicants will be informed by email once fellowships have been successfully awarded.*

<https://blueprintkentucky.ca.uky.edu/app-health-fellowship>

## 2025-2027 Appalachian Health Graduate Fellowship Application Form

Applicant's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Permanent Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

How did you learn about this opportunity? \_\_\_\_\_

Current school attending: \_\_\_\_\_

Anticipated graduation date: \_\_\_\_\_

Will you be attending a different school in Fall 2025?

If so, which school? \_\_\_\_\_

What course of study will you be pursuing in Fall 2025? \_\_\_\_\_

### Application Packet Checklist (see details on prior page or at URL below):

- \_\_\_ Evidence of acceptance to an accredited institution in a full-time post-graduate program of study
- \_\_\_ College transcripts (both current and completed programs) AND professional exam scores
- \_\_\_ Three letters of recommendation
- \_\_\_ Current resume
- \_\_\_ Personal statement
- \_\_\_ Appalachia commitment statement