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IL RURAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION MEDICAL BILLING & CODING SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

The Illinois Rural Health Association, recognizes the great demand for trained medical coding and billing experts in rural areas. The additional compliance standards that are required of federally designated Critical Access Hospitals and Rural Health Clinics makes it imperative that their staff have the specialized skill set in these areas to keep them financially sound.

To help fill this void and encourage students to enter the Medical Billing and Coding field, the **Illinois Rural Health Association is awarding 7 \$1000 scholarships, which will be distributed to various regions of the state. Applications are due by Tuesday, December 15, 2015 at 5 pm.** and will be awarded for the spring 2016 academic semester. Please mail or email completed application to IL Rural Health Association 9211 Waterfall Glen Blvd Darien, IL 60561 mvaughn@springnet1.com.

Funding for these scholarships has been provided, in part, by Gibson Area Hospital & the Illinois Area Health Education Program Network. "*Connecting students to careers, health professionals to communities and communities to better health.*" AHEC.rockford.uic.edu

Name:

Address:

City:

Zip:

County:

Email:

Phone:

Academic History

Institution:

Program of Study:

Years Attended:

Do you hold any certifications/degrees?

GPA

Work History

Employer Name:

Town:

Dates of Employment:

Job Title & Duties:

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MEDICAL CODING & BILLING PROGRAM BACKGROUND

Are you currently enrolled in a Medical Coding & Billing Program?

Yes:

No:

If yes please list school name and address:

If no, which list school name and address of where you would plan to attend to study Medical Billing & Coding and if you have been accepted for spring 2016 semester.

Do you or would you receive tuition reimbursement for completing a Medical Coding & Billing Program?

If you receive the scholarship would you sign an agreement to work in a rural area for at least two years after you complete your Medical Billing & Coding Program?

REFERENCE Please list academic or employer reference familiar with your performance.

Name:

Title:

Email:

Phone:

Please explain in 300 words or less why you would make a good candidate for the scholarship and how you would use your skills to help carry out the Illinois Rural Health Association's mission of improving health systems in rural areas (please use additional paper if necessary).