

Dr. Barbara Ball Public Health Scholarship Recipients 2017



Photo: L-R top row: Chioma Nwasike, Morrissa Tucker, Zaire Morris, Pashé Douglas-Sampson, Reglindis Ratteray, Alesha Page, Teleza Pitcher. L-R bottom row: Taylor Hill, Azari Thomas, Tenneil Ratteray, Michaela Bean, Safiya Nurse, Shuntelle Paynter, Dr. Danielle Simons

The Ministry of Health and Seniors awarded ten new students the Dr. Barbara Ball Public Health Scholarships in June 2017. In total fourteen students are currently receiving the scholarship.

The Ministry received over 50 applications this year, many of an exceedingly high standard. The Ministry wishes all applicants every success as they continue their studies and encourages all eligible students to apply next year.

Since the scholarship was founded in 2008 the Ministry of Health and Seniors has financially assisted 49 Bermudians who are beginning careers or pursuing professional development in public health. Scholarships are offered for study in a wide range of healthcare professions. This year the Ministry prioritized the following areas where there are known gaps in capacity: nursing, occupational therapy, speech therapy, social work, and environmental health.



Based on these criteria, this year's recipients are:

Michaela Bean, Nursing, Winston Salem State University

Pashé Douglas-Sampson, Occupational Therapy, Quinnipiac University

Taylor Hill, Linguistics (pre-speech pathology), Queens University

Zaire Morris, Social Work, Oakwood University

Safiya Nurse, Occupational Therapy, Howard University

Chioma Nwasike*, Medicine, Howard University

Alesha Page, Medicine, U. of Medicine and Health Sciences

Shuntelle Paynter, Mental Health Counselling, North Carolina A&T State University

Teleza Pitcher*, Dental Surgery, Howard University

Reglindis Ratteray*, Nursing, Southern Adventist

Tenneil Ratteray, Physical Therapy, Andrews University

Dr. Danielle Simons, Public Health, University of London

Azari Thomas, Economics (pre-dentistry), University of Virginia

Morrissa Tucker*, Social Work, Rutgers University

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