



DeKalb Medical

## *Dr. Gulshan S. Harjee Scholarship*

Gulshan S. Harjee, M. D., a well-known internist in the Atlanta area, knows what it means to work hard to make your dreams come true. All of her life she wanted to be a physician. She grew up in a country that did not have accessible healthcare. Her family had to drive two hours to get to the nearest doctor. In her country there was no treatment available when her beloved grandmother was diagnosed with ovarian cancer. She lived in a country where everyone got malaria and typhoid fever. Dr. Harjee's father wanted to be a doctor, but he lost his dad when he was only five and there were no resources for him to pursue his dream.

She was inspired by her parents to do something good with her life. She wanted to become a doctor who would provide humane care for her patients, who would be passionate about taking care of the sick, the old, and those in desperate circumstances. She left her country and went to Pakistan. But the country became war torn. She went to Iran and had to learn another language. She came to the states and had to start all over again. Her dream of becoming a doctor finally became a reality when she was 31. During all those years, she never gave up. She believed she could do it. She knew how to work hard. She fought many battles and reached many dead-ends before she was finally able to be in a place where she could practice medicine.

Her goal has been to make it possible for someone else who has a dream of being in healthcare to have a chance to pursue his or her passion and to find the kind of satisfaction in life that has so deeply enriched her life. As a step in that direction, she has established the *Dr. Gulshan S. Harjee Scholarship* to give scholarships to young men and women finishing high school in Georgia who want the chance to pursue a career in an allied healthcare field.

In order to apply for a Harjee Scholarship, the student must be attending a high school in the state of Georgia, fill out the attached application, answer the questions required and be accepted into an approved college or university program. This scholarship can be awarded contingent on a student's acceptance into their program of choice. It can be used for students interested in becoming patient care techs, licensed practical nurse certification, registered nurses, healthcare social workers, pharmacy techs, medical school, or any other designation that offers an education enabling the student to work in the field of healthcare.

This program will provide scholarships amounting to \$1,500 payable to the school chosen by the recipient. The funds do not have to be re-paid if the program is completed. Individuals interested can apply for this scholarship by submitting an essay addressing the four points listed in the application and submitting the completed documents to:

**Applications should be directed to:  
Dr. Gulshan S. Harjee Scholarship Committee  
c/o Beverly Hutchinson  
DeKalb Medical Foundation & Volunteer Services**

**Mailing Address:  
2701 North Decatur Road  
Decatur, GA 30033**

**Physical Address:  
2675 North Decatur Road, Suite G-05  
Decatur, GA 30033**

***Application Deadline: Must be received by, or post-dated, April 30, 2015.***



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## *Dr. Gulshan S. Harjee Scholarship Application*

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Name of High School \_\_\_\_\_

High School GPA \_\_\_\_\_ Date of High School Graduation \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Institution You Have Been Accepted to: \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation to Pursue/Declared Major \_\_\_\_\_

Jobs Held and/or Extracurricular Activities Involved in: \_\_\_\_\_

**Attach a narrative, not to exceed two pages, that addresses the following questions:**

1. Discuss your reasons for wanting to pursue a career in healthcare.
2. Discuss your commitment to making a difference in your community and your concern for humanity as evidenced by your acts of caring for others.
3. Discuss how you see your ability to balance a medical education with the other demands in your life.
4. Discuss the attributes you possess that resemble the qualities and passion exemplified by Dr. Gulshan S. Harjee.

**NOTE:** Your application will not be complete until the application and narratives have been complete. In addition, you must attach a copy of your high school transcript and TWO recommendations: one from a teacher and one from a person who knows you well and can attest to your passion for making a difference. Be sure to include the attached checklist with your application and note that all applicants must have attended high school in Georgia.

**DEADLINE: April 30, 2015 (post-marked or hand-delivered)**

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## *Application Checklist*

- Applicant attended high school in the state of Georgia
- Application sheet is attached
- Essay is attached and does not exceed two pages
- High school transcript is included
- One reference from a teacher is included
- One reference from someone other than a teacher is included
- Application will be hand-delivered, or post-marked by, April 30, 2015

To hand deliver, please call or email for directions to office.

Phone: 404-501-1344

Email: [elisabeth.nark@dekalbmedical.org](mailto:elisabeth.nark@dekalbmedical.org)

Or mail to:

Attn: Beverly Hutchinson

Dr. Gulshan S. Harjee Scholarship Committee

DeKalb Medical Foundation & Volunteer Services

2701 North Decatur Road

Decatur, GA 30033

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_