

**DOULA SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM (EXCERPT)**  
**Act 256 of 2024**

\*\*\*\*\* 395.365.new THIS NEW SECTION IS EFFECTIVE APRIL 2, 2025 \*\*\*\*\*

**395.365.new Scholarship eligibility criteria; application.**

Sec. 5. (1) The department may award a scholarship for eligible costs under this act to an individual determined by the department to meet all of the following eligibility criteria:

- (a) Has not been awarded a scholarship under this act at the time the individual submits an application.
  - (b) Demonstrates a financial hardship through household income or through receipt of financial assistance under the supplemental nutrition assistance program; the special supplemental food program for women, infants, and children; the Social Security Administration SSI program; or another program.
  - (c) Completes a signed application stating an intent to become a doula in this state and provides proof of residency in this state.
  - (d) Will serve as a doula in a health professional shortage area as that term is defined in 42 USC 254e, or with a medically underserved population as that term is defined in 42 USC 254b.
  - (e) Meets any other standards established in the rules promulgated by the department under section 3.
- (2) An individual may apply for a scholarship under this act by completing an application on a form provided by the department.

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