

# Faith Community Nurse Network of the Greater Twin Cities

## Request for Proposals

The Faith Community Nurse Network (FCNN), a private nonprofit organization based in St. Paul, MN, is requesting applications from nursing students in doctoral programs (DNP or PhD) to support their doctoral projects or research. This doctoral work must directly contribute to faith community nursing practice.

### **Rationale for the Request:**

Faith community nursing is an important and growing area of nursing practice in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Faith community nurses focus on care of the spirit as well as holistic health and prevention/minimization of illness – within a faith community. FCN is based in religious congregations and other community settings; Faith community nursing practice is delineated in *Faith Community Nursing: Scope and Standards of Practice* (2017). Faith community nursing is an evolving area of practice. Scholarly work is needed to bring attention to its potential for improving the health of congregations and communities. The FCNN seeks to promote research in faith community nursing to document its overall effectiveness and impact.

### **Proposals:**

A successful proposal will demonstrate potential to advance the work of faith community nursing by focusing directly on faith community nursing practice and its impact. The proposal will be judged on its scientific merit and potential to further the work of faith community nursing.

### **Award:**

The Faith Community Nurse Network will make an award up to \$1500.00. This award will be distributed in two payments contingent on the progress of the project. The first payment will be made upon notification of the award and the second payment will be distributed at six months after the project has begun. Additional funding may be considered.

**Application Requirements:**

The applicant must be an enrolled DNP or PhD nursing student in the dissertation or project phase.

- The applicant must submit a two page proposal of the work to be accomplished with time period specifications and a project budget.
- A letter of recommendation from the student's advisor is required, attesting to the student's status in the program and that the research or project work contributes to faith community nursing practice.
- The applicant must agree to publish his/her research or project findings, acknowledging FCNN monetary support.

**Application Deadline:**

Applications and letters of recommendation are accepted throughout the year and must be sent electronically to [contact@fcnntc.org](mailto:contact@fcnntc.org).

**Review Process:**

Applications will be reviewed by the FCNN staff and award determinations are made by the FCNN Board of Directors. The finalist will be notified by the FCNN Executive Director.

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