

## MNBNA awards three scholarships; hopes to award six more

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The Minnesota Black Nurses Association (MNBNA) held its inaugural Scholarship Fundraiser Gala and awarded three \$1,000 scholarships to three nursing students from the metropolitan area.

The scholarship recipients are attending St. Catherine University, Minneapolis Community Technical College and the University of Minnesota.

A second Scholarship Fundraiser Gala, Circle of Care – One Person at a Time, will be held May 3 at the Minneapolis Boulevard Hotel, 2200 Freeway Blvd., Minneapolis. MNBNA hopes to double the number of scholarships to six recipients with funds raised from the upcoming event.



Dr. Levi Downs, chief medical officer for University of Minnesota Physicians, associate professor in the Department of Obstetrics, Gynecology and Women's Health and director of the Division of Gynecologic Oncology will keynote the upcoming gala. Dr. Ed Ehlinger, Minnesota Commissioner of Health, who is responsible for directing the work of the Minnesota Department of Health, and Dr. Margaret Pharris, professor and associate dean for nursing at St. Catherine University, will serve as special guest speakers and will share insights on the theme, Circle of Care – One Person at a Time.