



BEHNS

Bayer European
Haemophilia Nurses Scholarship



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Dear Colleague,

Hemophilia is a highly specialized area of practice where the hemophilia nurses are of great importance for the patients and are playing a key role in co-ordinating treatment, treatment supplies, the home treatment program and patient and family education and training. „Nurses play a critical role in the treatment of hemophilia,“ said Mark Skinner, president, World Federation of Hemophilia. Therefore, **very well-trained and experienced nurses are essential in hemophilia care.**

For over 20 years Bayer Schering Pharma (BSP) has been committed to achieving excellence in hemophilia care. To further expand their commitment, BSP created The Bayer European Hemophilia Nurses Scholarship in 2001.

The Bayer European Hemophilia Nurses Scholarship provides training opportunities on the diagnosis and management of hemophilia and related bleeding disorders, specifically for nurses. During the scholarship, you will have the opportunity to meet, work and develop your network with expert nurses from important hemophilia centers in Europe.

The management of this scholarship is entrusted to the following members of the **“Bayer European Haemophilia Nurses Advisory Board”**

- Lara Oyesiku, United Kingdom, Chairperson
- Gabriele Giersdorf, Germany
- Els Haan, The Netherlands
- Karin Lindvall, Sweden
- Franziska Noger, Switzerland
- Branka Zaloznik, Slovenia

Responsible in BSP for the scholarship:

- Gertrud Schröder, Bayer Schering Pharma

In order to apply to this scholarship, we ask you to complete the enclosed application form and send it back before end of May. More details on the application process are described in the brochure.

We look forward to receiving your application and your special project!

On behalf of the committee for the Bayer European Haemophilia Nurses Scholarship



Gertrud Schröder
Head of Scientific Communication – BU Hematology/Neurology - Region Europe/Canada



Empowering and connecting nurses

BEHNS overview:

The Bayer European Haemophilia Nurses Scholarship exists since 2002. Up to now 35 nurses from all over Europe have taken part in the Scholarship and visited other centres.

Each year, BSP grants a € 15 000 fund, which provides Scholarships for nurses working in Hemophilia Care. The scholarship is open to applicants from all over Europe. The total amount is divided between several scholarships, based on the recommendation of the BEHN advisory board. On average, 4-5 nurses benefit from the scholarship each year, each receiving an average of € 3 000, **to spend on flights, accommodation and ground transportation.** Bayer will make the necessary arrangements and will bear all costs.

The purpose of the scholarship:

The goal of the scholarship is to develop and strengthen nurses' knowledge and skills in several aspects of hemophilia care, such as, for example, Porth-a-Cath®, hepatitis, the management of inhibitors, prophylaxis etc.

The overall objective is to further enhance and optimise the provision of appropriate care and treatment for people living with hemophilia.

Applicants profile:

To be eligible to the program, you should:

- Nurses working in hemophilia care from western, central and eastern Europe plus Africa, Middle East and Canada can apply for a scholarship
- A good comprehension and command of the foreign language spoken at the visiting centre is required by the applicant in order to visit that Centre.
- The successful candidates should be willing to present their experience at a conference or publish an article in a newsletter.
- Applicants are required to have worked in hemophilia care for at least one year.

Application process:

Step 1: Application forms will be distributed by BSP affiliates in February

Step 2: fill in the attached form and make sure that all requested information are provided

Step 3: submit the application form by end of May at the latest to Lara Oyesiku, chair of the scholarship at the following address:

**Churchill Hospital, Oxford Haemophilia Centre,
Old Road, Oxford OX3 7LJ, UK,**

Or by e-mail: lara.oyesiku@orh.nhs.uk

Step 4: at the applicants will be notified of the final decision on their application by end of July

Testimonials from nurses who have visited another hemophilia centre through the BEHNS:

„The host centre had designed a programme that allowed me to see different aspects of patient care. I believe that all I learned at Van Creveld Clinic will be important for my work and I shall try to implement as much as I can in my practice“.

Yuliya Sugareva, Sofia, Bulgaria

After one year:

„Meeting European haemophilic nurses, has encouraged me to arrange more internal training courses for nurses and doctors. Without the scholarship from BEHNAB this important knowhow and information exchange between colleagues would probably not have been what it is today.“

Elisabeth Waclawiczek, Graz, Austria

„During my visit to Heidelberg, I got acquainted with a very well organized team, which is necessary for a complete management of the haemophilic patients. Just as the whole visit, the course of my work at the hospital was very well organized. I would be very pleased if I could transfer my newly acquired knowledge to my work with haemophilic patients in Slovenia.“

Helena Malavasic, Ljubljana, Slovenia

Bayer European Haemophilia Nurses Scholarship Application Form



Applicant

Family Name _____

First Name _____

Mother tongue _____ Language/-s spoken _____

English _____ Other _____

Have you applied for this scholarship before? Yes _____ No _____

If yes, in which year? _____ Were you successful Yes _____ No _____

Qualifications and experience or attach CV

Haemophilia Centre information

Name of Haemophilia Centre where you work _____

Number of Haemophilia patients registered at the Centre Adults _____ Children _____

Office address _____

E-mail address _____

Office telephone number _____ Office fax number _____

Main area of your speciality (e.g. Haemophilia) _____

Length of time working in Haemophilia _____ Time spent in Haemophilia care each week (hours) _____

Reasons for application

Your aim for the scholarship (please tick the appropriate option)

To visit another Haemophilia Centre _____ A project _____ Other _____

Details (objectives, motivation for application etc.) _____

Visit another Haemophilia Centre (fill in only if want to visit an haemophilia centre)

Name and of centre _____

Address _____

Zip code _____ City _____ Country _____

____ I'm not sure, please recommend a centre

Qualifications and experience or attach CV (fill in only if are proposing a project)

Short description of the project containing schedule, budget, timetable and the setting

Have you applied for money for this project from somewhere else? **Yes/No** If **yes** comment briefly

Continues . . . **Other**

Permission from Manager

I accept _____ Date _____ Place _____

Signature _____

Print name _____

Permission from Manager

Date _____ Place _____

Signature _____

Print name _____

Please send this application form together with your qualifications/CV by 31st May, 2010 to:

Lara Oyesiku, Churchill Hospital, Oxford Haemophilia Centre, Old Road, Oxford OX3 7LJ, UK E-mail: lara.oyesiku@orh.nhs.uk

Applicants will be notified of the results of their application by end of July 2010



Steering committee:

A very prestigious group of specialized nurses in hemophilia are steering the scholarship:

- **Lara Oyesiku**, United Kingdom, Chairperson
- **Gabriele Giersdorf**, Germany
- **Els Haan**, The Netherlands
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