

## **Application Form: Andrew Dent Student Scholarship**

The St. Vincent's Pacific Health Fund ([www.stvpacifichealth.org](http://www.stvpacifichealth.org)) was formally established in 2008 through the inspiration and generous legacy of Andrew Dent. The aims of the Fund are to promote and enable educational opportunities for health workers in the Pacific region, to assist in building capacity of health services and personnel through the provision of financial grants and to promote and establish links between St. Vincent's Hospital, Melbourne and health workers and institutions in the Pacific region. The Fund is managed by volunteers who have experience and interest in PNG and the Pacific Islands, is administered by the St. Vincent's Hospital Foundation and is financed by donations.

The Fund has established the Andrew Dent Student Scholarship in honour of Andrew and in accordance with its aims. The scholarship is open to individual students in the health sector to help support volunteer work, student electives and study trips within the Pacific Islands region. Applications should include a description in 500 words or more of the aims, benefits and expected outcomes of the proposed placement, as well as a proposed budget detailing all sources of income. It is hoped that an experience of working and living in the Pacific as a student will lead to a life-long professional and personal link with the region which will benefit both the individual student and the Pacific Islanders they encounter.

Applications for the Scholarship can be made directly to the Fund for consideration twice annually with closing dates of March 31st and September 30th. Scholarships are usually in the order of \$1,000 - \$2,500 AUD.

Successful applicants will be required to provide the Fund with a written report - with 4-5 attached photos - after completing their overseas placement. The report should include a description of activities and events experienced as well as insights gained by the student. Medical students undertaking their elective from the University of Melbourne may have their elective stories and photos published online or in other publications.

Contact details and applications:

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**Application Details – please include:**

About the applicant:

Name

Date of birth

Contact details (postal address, telephone number and email address)

Institution

Course and year level

Supervisor

Purpose of proposed Pacific region travel

Is it a course requirement, and if so, what are the requirements?

About the proposed travel:

Destination (village/town/city, province/region, country)

Institution (e.g.; health centre, clinic, hospital)

Contact person / local supervisor

Intended length of stay

Intended activities

Follow-up tasks/reports/assessment/course requirements after completion (if any)

Proposed Itinerary and Budget:

Description of project (around 500 words):

Please include your motivation behind the proposed trip and the aims of the placement. Describe the perceived benefits and possible outcomes of the project in both the long and short term. Feel free to include any other relevant information that can enhance an understanding of the project.

Please include any documentary evidence supporting your travel

e.g. Letter/s of support and approval from Pacific institution / sponsor / researcher etc.