



## headspace Warrnambool Scholarship Guidelines

### 1. Introduction

Cycle4Life teams from Sydney and Warrnambool dedicated a 1,100 km ride in six days from Sydney to Noosa in September 2015 to raise awareness and funds for headspace Centres in their local communities.

The Warrnambool Cycle4Life team dedicated funds raised to be used to provide scholarships for young people who had overcome health barriers to pursue vocational and/or tertiary education.

### 2. Scholarship Program Objectives

The headspace Warrnambool Scholarship Program objective is to assist young people up to the age of 25 years who have overcome health disadvantages to pursue vocational and/or tertiary education through:

- Assisting young people who have sought help through headspace Warrnambool services to pursue their vocational and tertiary educational goals through the provision of financial support to subsidize the costs associated with their course fees.
- Reducing the barriers to completion of vocational and/or tertiary education through the provision of financial support to subsidize the costs associated with course fees to complete the final year of vocational and/or tertiary education.

### 3. Scholarships

<b>Applicable to:</b>	<b>SW TAFE and / or Deakin University Warrnambool Courses (Minimum 2 year course)</b>
<b>Number:</b>	<b>3 Scholarships per year</b>
<b>Financial Value:</b>	<b>Up to \$3,000 per scholarship</b>

headspace Warrnambool Scholarships provide:

- funding of \$1,500 per young person to assist with commencing study; and
- further funding of \$1,500 to the young person to complete their final year of study.

Each Scholarship granted will be paid in two instalments of \$1,500 directly to SW TAFE and/or Deakin University against course fee costs.



#### **4. Eligibility**

Scholarships will only be granted once per applicant per course.

To be eligible, scholarship applicants must:

- Have demonstrated early help seeking behavior at headspace Warrnambool services, including GP services.
- Not be the recipients of other scholarship programs
- Be a resident of Victoria and a permanent Australian resident
- Be enrolled in a course with a minimum of two years duration. Mid-course enrolments may be eligible if two years is remaining in the course.

#### **5. Selection Criteria**

Scholarship recipients will be selected based on considerations of:

1. The extent to which the financial support provided by the scholarship will enable the applicant to commence and complete their course of study
2. The extent to which the applicant strives to succeed and works to overcome their health disadvantage
3. The extent to which the course of study will lead to employment outcomes in the local region
4. The applicant's intention to remain in the South West Victorian region after completion of their study.

#### **6. To Apply**

Applicants are required to complete the headspace Warrnambool Scholarship Application Form, which includes a 400 word essay addressing the four selection criteria above (100 words per criteria).

The application form is available from <http://headspace.org.au/headspace-centres/warrnambool/>

**Applications close March 1, 2017**

Applicants shortlisted will be required to participate in a short interview to finalise the selection process.

Completed applications may be submitted in person to Anne Waters, Executive Manager Health Services, BFYS, 210 Timor Street, Warrnambool, VIC 3280 or by email to [hsmanager@brophy.org.au](mailto:hsmanager@brophy.org.au)