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Creating a legacy to honour a provincial icon
Pat Darrah Memorial Medical Education Endowment Fund Scholarships

ROTHESAY, NB (June 26, 2020): The New Brunswick Medical Education (NBMEFI) Foundation is honoured to create medical education scholarships in Pat Darrah's honour. The scholarships will be designated for students who are New Brunswick residents accepted into Dalhousie University Medical School New Brunswick. "Mr. Darrah was a driving force behind the formation of a medical school in the province and served on the steering committee with me to make it happen," said Dr. Donald Craig, a senior advisor to the foundation.

This endowment is created to keep our best and brightest students in New Brunswick. For each year a student receives a scholarship of \$5,000.00 they will pledge one-year of return to service to work in the province as a physician. "I could not think of a more fitting way to recognize his incredible legacy to this province then to create scholarships for a school he helped create and, in his name," said Darren McLeod, Executive Director of the foundation. The endowment fund is being developed to support these scholarships in perpetuity with two bursaries for a total of \$10,000.00 a year. Our target is to raise \$250,000.00 to sustain it and any other support that is generated will be directed to more scholarships in Pat's name.

The Pat Darrah Memorial Medical Education Scholarship will create a legacy for generations and allow our residents to study, practice, and give back to the community through their work. "I am deeply honoured to see the business community and the citizens of this province support the development of this truly meaningful scholarship. We still have money to raise, but I know everyone wants to see his legacy fulfilled through this endowment fund," said Dr. James O'Brien, Co-Chair of the foundation.

If you would like to learn more about the New Brunswick Medical Education Foundation and how to support its role to invest into tomorrow's healthcare through the Pat Darrah Memorial Medical Education Scholarship, please contact the office at 506-848-0036 or email Darren.McLeod@nbmeded.ca or visit our website at <https://www.nbmeded.ca/patdarrah>

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