

The Annette J. Bartley Memorial Scholarship



Annette J. Bartley RN,BA,MS,MPH, was a nurse and health care improvement coach with over 30 years of experience in health care and held leadership roles in frontline clinical care and management. In 2006 Annette was awarded a Health Foundation Quality Improvement Fellowship and spent a year as a Fellow at the Institute for Healthcare Improvement (IHI) during which time she also completed a Masters in Public Health at the University of Harvard. As IHI Faculty and as an Independent Quality Improvement Consultant, Annette was responsible for developing, supporting and leading a number of highly successful quality improvement and patient safety initiatives across the UK at regional and national level. Her work extended internationally from Canada to Singapore and she was able to connect with teams from all cultures and contexts and engender in them the motivation for achieving excellence. Annette was viewed as an authority on the prevention of avoidable pressure ulcers using quality improvement methodology and the implementation of SKIN Bundle and Intentional Rounding. Annette's passion for improvement was inspiring and supporting frontline care teams to reliably deliver high quality, safe, person centered care.

IHI will award the **Annette J. Bartley Memorial Scholarship** annually to one nursing professional who demonstrates a strong interest in health care improvement. The Bartley Scholarship will cover the cost of General Conference fees for [IHI's 29th Annual National Forum on Quality Improvement in Health Care](#) in Orlando, Florida from December 10-13, 2017. In addition, the scholarship will reimburse the winner for up to \$1,000 for travel, 4 nights' lodging, or other Forum expenditures (including fees for Learning Labs and Quickcourses).

Eligibility:

Any current nursing professional may apply for the Bartley Scholarship.

Requirements:

Annette Bartley played an important role in helping IHI close the gap between current practice and best practice. In this spirit, we invite applicants for the scholarship in her name to complete an essay that describes a health care quality improvement project you would like to undertake or have undertaken. In **no more than 500 words** (a maximum of two double-spaced, type-written pages), your essay should describe a problem in current care and detail how your project would address it. Please include who you would engage to help develop your goals and plans for implementation and how you will know if the changes tested in your project are leading to the desired improvement. We will judge essays on the project's potential to improve patient care and awarded points for clarity, simplicity, and brevity. Please do not include graphs or charts with your essay; we will only accept the 500-word essay in a Word file. Please do not submit your essay in a PDF format. We will only accept one essay per student.

All Bartley Scholarship entrants must also submit the Scholarship and Special Discount application (see below). Please indicate that you are applying for an academic scholarship.

Deadline: Please complete the [online Scholarship and Special Discount Application](#) with your essay to Kimberly Mitchell at kmitchell@IHI.org with the subject line "Annette J. Bartley Scholarship application" no later than **Friday, September 15th, 2017**, by 5:00 PM Eastern Time. The winner will be notified by Friday, October 6th, 2017.