



The LuWanda “Louie” Leskinen Native American Scholarship for Radiological Technology

Application Deadline: May 31st, preceding acceptance to the program. The determination of the award winner, along with 1st and 2nd alternates (*in the event the winner declines or is not accepted into a training program*), will be concluded by July 1st.

Award: \$5,000 towards tuition, room and board while actively pursuing training in an accredited Rad Tech training program.

Purpose and Background:

Luwanda “Louie” Leskinen was a Radiologic Technologist at Inland Imaging for 22 years, working in Mammography, MRI, 3D lab, CT as technologist and team leader at our largest imaging sites and served as a Director of Inland Imaging Tri-Cities, our first foray into Central Washington outpatient imaging.

Throughout her career she has always been one of the most willing, hardest working, capable and driven members of our Inland Team. She was simply unstoppable and excelled at both the technical and patient care aspects of delivering radiologic care and diagnosis to hundreds of thousands of patients served by Inland Imaging, LLC each year.

Louie is a proud direct descendant of the Colville Confederated Tribes, raised in Nespelem, Washington. She has spent her professional career working hard for the benefit of Inland Imaging, all while raising her two beautiful children, Gunnar and Evelyn. Her life path, growing up on the Colville Indian reservation, seeking out and excelling in all facets of Radiologic Technologist training, and serving our company as a wonderful employee and leader for 22 years, motivated us to establish the LuWanda “Louie” Leskinen Native American Scholarship for Radiological Technology.

This is a cash scholarship of \$5,000 awarded annually to any Native American, Enrolled or Descendant, of a federally recognized tribe who wishes to pursue training as a Rad Tech. The money should be used to pay for vocational school tuition and clinical training to facilitate a career in the Radiological Sciences. It is our hope that we can honor Louie’s wonderful service to our organization, while encouraging other deserving members and descendants towards a career in Radiology. Inland Imaging would be honored to be the site of clinical rotations for the award winner, if desired.

The scholarship applicant should be a motivated student, high school graduate, and member or direct descendant of a federally recognized tribe. Cash award is predicated on acceptance into an accredited Radiological Technology program. The scholarship award winner can apply for a second-year award to help fund the 2-year Rad Tech program.

Required Documents

- 1. Letter of application:** The letter should include the applicant's name, contact information, and should be a maximum of 2 pages in length, and discuss the applicant's interest in a career in Radiology, commitment to education, community and native culture.
- 2. Resume**
- 3. Letters of Recommendation:** Up to 3 letters of recommendation can be submitted with the application. Letters should be dated within the last 6 months and include the reference's signature and contact information.
- 4. Evidence of validated enrollment or descentance in a federally recognized tribe or Alaska Native Corporation.** Photocopy of: enrollment card, front and back, Certificate of Indian Blood, Certified Letter of Descendancy, or appropriate birth certificates along with enrollment card copies will suffice.
- 5. Transcripts:** High School transcript, college transcript if applicable, and proof of application or acceptance to an accredited Rad Tech Program.

Delivery of Application

Applications are accepted by Email or Mail, **please choose ONE option:**

Option #1 Email: Create one email attaching all required documents and send to: humanresources@inlandimaging.com.

Option #2 Mail: Mail all required documents to:

Inland Imaging Human Resources

c/o Louie Leskinen Native Rad Tech Scholarship
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