

The UYDF is offering support to study the following health science degrees in 2024

Students from the Umkhanyakude, Zululand and King Cetshwayo districts that meet the criteria below, and wish to study the following health science qualifications in 2024, or are currently enrolled for one of these qualifications, are invited to apply to the Umtombo Youth Development Foundation:

- Audiology
- Dentistry
- Dental Therapy
- Medicine
- Nursing
- Occupational therapy
- Optometry
- Pharmacy
- Physiotherapy
- Radiography: Ultrasonography
- Speech and Language Therapy

The Umtombo Youth Development Foundation provides students with the following support:

1. Top-up NSFAS allowances and support for costs not covered by NSFAS,
2. Academic and social mentoring support to assist students address their challenges and succeed,
3. Opportunity to undertake work exposure at a rural hospital to assist student learning and to gain experience,
4. Opportunity to participate in Student Lifeskills Workshops that assist with skills needed in life and work.

✓ **Requirements/ Eligibility:** Applicants must:

- Be from the **uMkhanyakude/Zululand/King Cetshwayo Districts** and the catchment areas of the following hospitals: Bethesda, Hlabisa, Manguzi, Mosvold, Mseleni (Umkhanyakude district); Benedictine; Ceza; Itshelejuba; Nkonjeni, Vryheid (Zululand district); Catherine Booth, Ekombe, KwaMagwaza, Mbongolwane, Nkandla (King Cetshwayo district)
- Obtained a **place to study one of the above health science qualifications at any SA public University** (excluding UNISA)
- Students already studying – for a 4-year degree, only students in 2nd year in 2024, and students in 2nd or 3rd year in 2024 for 6-year degree will be considered
- **Must have entered higher education in 2022 or 2023 (not before)**
- **Must be studying towards their first degree**
- **Must be an approved NSFAS student, or have proof of application and acceptance for NSFAS in 2024.**
- **Note:** Students must be prepared on graduation to work at one of the above hospitals for at least two years

✓ **Applications**

- Application forms available at cebile@umthomboyouth.org.za or UYDF website: www.umthomboyouth.org.za or UYDF Facebook page. Completed forms must be emailed to Cebile@umthomboyouth.org.za or faxed to 086 554 1565. For more information contact Cebile on: 031 765 5774 (Office hours)
- **Closing date: 31 December 2023** {Avail yourself for a ZOOM *interview* any time between January and February. Enquiries: 031 765 5774 (office hours).