4th Year Medical Student Scholarship Program

The intent of this program is to incent 4th year medical students, who are interested in primary care, to match with one of the following residency programs at Stony Brook University Hospital:

- General Medicine (categorical and primary care)
- Pediatrics
- Neurology
- Psychiatry

Each department will be allowed one per yearⁱ (see Department of Medicine exception belowⁱⁱ). The scholarship will be split between the Dean's Office and the respective department. The award needs to be determined well in advance of Match Day, ideally by December 15th.

Once the awarded individual(s) begins their residency, then the payment process will begin. This will avoid any unnecessary paperwork required to ensure the student(s) pays the institution back if they decide not to match with Stony Brook.

Payment or Loan Forgiveness process:

To avoid over awarding a student, the medical student's 4th year student record is reviewed for scholarships and financial aid. As a result, the student would either receive loan forgiveness and/or direct payment, net of any other scholarships, in the following order:

- Commercial loans (higher interest rates)
- Unsubsidized Federal loans
- Subsidized Federal loans
- After all loans are paid, then the student would get a direct payment.
- If the student didn't have any other scholarships and had no loans, then the student can expect a direct payment for the award.

ⁱ If a department wants to offer additional scholarships, then they will be responsible for funding it. However, the same procedure needs to be followed above and is dependent upon sufficient available funding.

ⁱⁱ The Department of Medicine will award up to two qualified candidates, with the award money for one candidate split evenly between the two selected candidates. If only one of the selected individuals chooses to match at Stony Brook Medicine Internal Medicine, then the full amount of the award will be awarded to the matched awardee.