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(Emporia, KS) — The Newman Regional Health Auxiliary has awarded $10,000 in scholarships to five area students pursuing an education in a health related field. Each student will receive $1,000 per semester for the fall 2019 and spring 2020 academic semesters.

The Newman Regional Health Auxiliary Board received a total of thirty applicants. Their scholarships are funded through The Gift Shoppe, Snack Bar, and regular Auxiliary fundraisers held throughout the year.

Carolyn Hossfeld, Auxiliary President, said volunteers do a lot to raise money for scholarships as well as to help fund services and equipment needed at Newman Regional Health.

“We work hard,” she said. “All of our Auxiliary members pride themselves on the work that they do and when we are able to do things like awarding scholarships, it gives them a sense of pride and happiness that they were able to contribute in order to make things like that happen.”
Four of the scholarship recipients are attending college at Emporia State University, and one at Kansas University. Megan Beitz, a junior at Emporia State University has a desire to work in an emergency department for trauma training and nursing experience. She later hopes to become an orthopedic surgery nurse. Rachael Bolinger, a sophomore at Emporia State University has plans of becoming an oncology practitioner. Sadie Trear, a sophomore at Emporia State University and also a first generation college student wants to become a nurse practitioner. Austin Umana, a freshman at Emporia State University has been strongly influenced by his mother’s nursing career and plans on becoming a Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist. Hannah Stump has a bachelor of science from Emporia State University and is a junior at Kansas University wanting to specialize in either pediatrics or oncology.

The Newman Regional Health Auxiliary encourages students who are pursuing a health related degree to apply for future scholarships. For additional information about the Newman Regional Health Auxiliary or questions about the scholarship program, please contact the Volunteer Coordinator at (620) 343-6800 ext. 2525.

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**About Newman Regional Health:** Newman Regional Health is a 25-bed Critical Access Hospital providing inpatient acute and medical rehabilitation services and a full range of emergency and outpatient services including emergency cardiac catheterization, MRI, CT and observation services 24 hours a day to patients of all ages in Lyon County and most of Chase, Coffey, Greenwood, Morris, Osage, and Wabaunsee Counties in East Central Kansas. With a mission to improve health in the community by providing high quality care and a vision to be a valued, trusted partner and regional provider of exemplary services, Newman Regional Health is consistently recognized as a top Critical Access Hospital in the United States.