



## **BACKGROUNDER**

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### **Mission Statement**

The Gretta Foundation's mission is to provide in-country nursing education to impoverished persons living in disease-burdened nations while bolstering depleted healthcare workforces and improving patient care and outcomes.

### **History**

The Gretta Foundation was founded in 2007 by Meg Styles in honor of her mother, the late Dr. Margretta Madden Styles ("Gretta"). Gretta was a nurse scholar renowned globally as an international leader in nursing education, regulation, and credentialing.

### **Program Overview**

#### ***Basic Scholarship Model***

1. Nurse scholarship recipients ("Gretta Scholars") will enter into nursing programs in their country's system of education.
2. Gretta Scholars will be fully supported for a maximum of four years based upon satisfactory completion of each year's training program.
3. Each scholarship will provide its recipient with an annual tuition, living allowance, books, school uniforms, shoes, and clinical supplies.
4. Once students have completed their nursing programs and have passed the exit exams administered by their nursing colleges, they will become licensed to practice nursing.
5. To honor the obligations of their scholarship agreement, graduating scholars will serve in their country's clinics and hospitals for a predetermined period of time commensurate with each year of academic assistance.

#### ***Monitoring & Evaluation***

As the model progresses, stewardship of the project in country is assured through the oversight of a National Advisory Committee to include Gretta Foundation staff, national nursing association (NNA) leadership, academic nursing program representatives, and the Ministry of Health.

### **Our Nurses**

Gretta believed that the potential impact of a nurse is profound, inspiring nurses to see their future as a boundless landscape of promise and possibility. TGF is devoted to inspiring future generations of nurses to rise to their potential and make their own destinies.

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