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ORTHOPEDIC CENTER OF ILLINOIS FOUNDATION TO AWARD \$5,000 SCHOLARSHIP FOR HEALTH CARE STUDIES

Springfield, IL, Jan. 11, 2016 – The Orthopedic Center of Illinois Foundation (OCIF) is now accepting applications for the \$5,000 OCIF Scholarship. The scholarship will recognize a graduating high school senior in Sangamon County who is beginning college in the fall and majoring in a health-related field. The scholarship is renewable up to four years (\$1,250 per year) if the student is in good academic standing.

“The need for employees in health care continues to grow. Through this scholarship, we want to encourage students who are passionate about health care and who might need a little financial help to join the field and contribute in a meaningful way,” said OCIF Board President Ron Romanelli, M.D. “We also find it incredibly important to give back to a community that has supported us for more than 40 years.”

For more information about this opportunity or to download an application, please visit the OCIF website: www.ocif.net. The deadline to apply is March 25, 2016, and the winner will be announced May 6, 2016.

The Orthopedic Center of Illinois Foundation supports projects promoting patient education, continuing medical education and regional charitable organizations. Since incorporation in 2005, OCIF has contributed more than \$270,000 in scholarships and grants to Springfield area communities.

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