South Lake Hospital Foundation Announces Scholarship for Respiratory Therapy Students

CLERMONT, Fla. (January 13, 2015) The South Lake Hospital Foundation announces the application and availability of the Dennis A. Duckworth Scholarship, providing an educational opportunity for students who plan to pursue a career as a respiratory therapist. Duckworth was a longstanding and loyal team member with South Lake Hospital, whose knowledge and expertise helped shape the cardiopulmonary department at the facility.

Scholarships will be awarded to students accepted to an accredited respiratory therapy program in Central Florida, with contributions and donations made by friends and family of Duckworth in his memory. Scholarship checks will be made payable to the university/college and may be used for tuition, books and/or fees. Scholarship amounts may vary.

Applications may be obtained by calling (352) 536-8771 or email sherioolson@orlandohealth.com. Applicants should be prepared to complete the application, provide an acceptance letter into the RT program, attach three letters of recommendation and transcripts (with a grade point average of 3.0 or higher), and be prepared to write a 500-1000 word reflection on their motivation for pursuing a career in respiratory therapy. Deadline for submitting applications is by 5 p.m. on June 4, 2015.

About LiveWell South Lake Hospital Campus:
The LiveWell South Lake Hospital Campus includes the 122-bed non-profit hospital, in partnership with Orlando Health, Centre for Women’s Health, LiveWell Fitness Center, National Training Center, South Lake Endoscopy Center, South Lake Surgery Center and campus partners Special Olympics Florida, Brandy Johnson Global Gymnastics and several medical office buildings. South Lake Hospital has been serving the healthcare needs of the South Lake community since 1947 and employs 1,100 employees and has over 200 physicians on its medical staff. The campus focuses on preventative healthcare through health, sports and fitness programming.

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