

# Professor Bongani Mayosi Netcare Clinical Scholarship 2026

“Advancing human health through medical research.”

The Professor Bongani Mayosi Netcare Clinical Scholarship is an integral part of the Physician Partnerships Trust, established through Netcare’s Health Partners for Life Broad-Based Black Economic Empowerment initiative. It aims to develop leading professors and academics from previously disadvantaged communities across all branches of medicine — clinicians who will use their world-class knowledge to teach in their respective fields.

We invite PhD candidates who are **registered medical specialists**, and who wish to pursue an academic career as clinician scientists, to apply for the 2026 scholarship.

The scholarship will be awarded to a clinical specialist or subspecialist who has commenced **doctoral or postdoctoral studies** in South Africa.

It will be awarded as an annual grant for up to three years of **full time** doctoral or postdoctoral research in a chosen field.

## Eligibility and conditions of award:

1. Must submit a copy of a relevant identity document as proof of South African citizenship.
2. Proof of registration with the Health Professions Council of South Africa as a medical specialist or subspecialist.
3. Proof of university registration as a doctoral student or postdoctoral fellow.
4. Evidence of approved ethics clearance.
5. Black<sup>1</sup> persons, including black persons with a disability, as contemplated in the Broad Based Black Economic Empowerment Act as amended.
6. A full curriculum vitae outlining qualifications, work experience, research experience, and a list of publications.
7. A 1 – 2 page letter of motivation which should include the amount required for the scholarship grant per annum for salary support to enable full time research.
8. A 1 – 2 page summary of the **rationale, design, and feasibility** of the proposed doctoral or postdoctoral research project.
9. Evidence that funding for the research project has been secured (the scholarship grant excludes the funding of the research project), and that facilities and equipment are available.
10. Testimonials from three referees, **one of whom should be the supervisor** of the doctoral or postdoctoral research project.
11. A brief curriculum vitae of the supervisor outlining their research experience, prior supervision, and publications.
12. Recipients of the scholarship must commit to signing a contract binding them to work in South Africa for a minimum period of three years following the end of the funding period, (or the equivalent of the funding period) failing which they will be liable to pay back the full amount of the scholarship to the trust.

The successful applicant(s) may be asked to submit additional supporting documentation.

The value of the award reflects the awardee’s professional position. The award is available from Thursday 1 October 2026, or an earlier or later date agreed between the awardee, their supervisor, and the Board of Trustees.

Awards are made at the sole discretion of the selection committee, as ratified by the Board of Trustees of the Physicians’ Partnerships Trust.

The board will not enter into correspondence with unsuccessful applicants.

Please direct enquiries and applications to **Ms Rachel Persent on 011 301 9612 or email [Rachel.Persent@netcare.co.za](mailto:Rachel.Persent@netcare.co.za)**.

**The closing date for applications is 14 July 2026. Incomplete or late applications will not be considered.**