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Anthem College-AuroraStudent Wins Surgical Technologist Scholarship

Aurora, Col., September 14, 2011--Ashley Roberts, a Surgical Technologist student at Anthem College-Aurora, near Denver, is one of 16 students from around the nation to receive a scholarship from the Foundation for Surgical Technology this year.

The Foundation is sponsored by the Association of Surgical Technologists, the oldest and most widely recognized professional organization for surgical technologists and surgical assistants.

"Ashley has always shown great professionalism and demonstrated great skills while enrolled in our Surgical Technology Program," says Chad Skurdahl, who chairs the Surgical Technology program at Anthem College-Aurora. Skurdahl cited Roberts' "enthusiasm and willingness to both learn and mentor other students" as one of her key strengths.

Roberts, who was diagnosed with Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia at age 10, says that her decision to study surgical technology is largely due to her positive experiences with surgical teams from a young age. "To this day, I remember going to surgeries so terrified, and the surgical team always did everything they could to ensure I felt safe in their care," she says. "I want to give back in the same ways that I was helped during this extremely difficult time in my life."

"Ashley is a true leader and demonstrated perseverance through challenges that many would have taken the easy road on. She exemplifies what a healthcare professional strives to be, caring and compassionate," says Janet Mack, Campus President for Anthem College-Aurora. "As a student, she set the bar high, not just for herself but for her classmates. We know she will have every success in her future as a Surgical Technologist."

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