1. Who is eligible to apply for the Anesthesia Scholars Loan?

a. The Anesthesia Scholars Loan is for eligible graduate students enrolled full-time and in their third and final year of The Johns Hopkins University School of Nursing Doctor of Nursing Practice Program. Borrowers must be U.S. Citizens or Permanent Residents of the United States.

2. What is the application process and how can I apply?

a. ACCM will send out the application form to eligible graduate students in the January-February time frame of their second year. Applicants will submit a Letter of Intent detailing the strength of the candidate and the commitment to the CRNA division and Department of ACCM accompanied by a current Curriculum Vitae (CV).

3. When can I expect to hear back if I've been accepted to the program?

a. Applicants will be notified of their acceptance by April of that same (second) year.

4. Can the program fund more than one year if I work more than the three year service obligation?

a. No, the funding is currently set to aid with one year of school expense for a three year service commitment.

5. What are the compensation details of the position with ACCM?

a. Compensation and benefit information will be provided to candidates at time of consideration of employment to ensure up to date information.

6. What are the terms of the loan?

a. The loan is forgiven for students who complete three years of employment with ACCM at Johns Hopkins Hospital immediately upon their graduation. Otherwise, the loan is prorated based on completed years of service and paid back over a period of seven years at an interest rate of 5%.

7. What if I am unable to complete the three year work commitment?

a. Students unable to complete the three year work commitment will be responsible for repaying the loan prorated based on completed years of service.

8. After being accepted, when do I receive the funds?

a. After accepting the loan in the JHSON Student Information System (SIS), Heartland ECSI (ECSI) will send a notification you via email when the promissory note is ready to sign. Once the promissory note is signed, funds will be disbursed to your JHU student account.

9. Who is Heartland ECSI?

a. <u>Heartland ECSI</u>, or ECSI for short, will collect your promissory note and provide any other information related to the repayment or forgiveness of your loan. They also report your loan to credit bureaus, provide updates and your current balance, and also can provide verification when the loan has been fully repaid for forgiven. After being accepted into the program and signing the promissory note, they can be reached at if you have questions.

10. How is the loan forgiven?

a. The loan is forgiven after three years' employment with ACCM at Johns Hopkins Hospital.

11. How does being a participant in the Anesthesia Scholars Program affect my financial aid award?

a. The effect on a participant's financial aid award can vary as students have different awards. For students taking out federal student loans, it greatly reduces their federal loan indebtedness. Also, students who are receiving a merit scholarship will have the last year of their scholarship replaced by the full tuition award. This is because the School of Nursing's policy is that recipients of full tuition awards are ineligible to receive their scholarship since scholarships are directed towards tuition, which the full tuition award covers. If you have specific questions about your award, please feel free to contact Student Financial Services at (410) 955-9840.

12. Who do I contact for more information about the program?

a. Erin Blume, Chief Administrator Officer is the contact. She can be reached at eblume1@jh.edu.