

#### NATIONAL HISPANIC HEALTH PROFESSIONAL STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

## 1. Who is eligible to apply for the 2013 Scholarship?

- The 2013 National Hispanic Health Professional Scholarship is open to any student enrolled fulltime in an accredited graduate nursing, public health, health policy, dentistry or medical school. Nursing BSN and Pharmacy students will only be considered for the \$2,000 one year scholarships. We will not consider any health professions not listed above.

### 2. Are applicants required to be Hispanic?

- Applicants are not required to be Hispanic; an affinity for the health of Hispanic communities and an interest in participating in NHHF Scholars Alumni activities is required.

### 3. What are the requirements for the Personal Statement?

- The personal statement should be exactly that – personal. Tell us what sets you apart from other students. Why you are interested in Hispanic Health issues and what your plans are to address those issues once you begin working in your profession. Make sure you are detailing what you want the reviewer to know about you, as it is a major component of the scholarship application review.

### 4. I am not a U.S. Citizen, can I still apply?

- Only U.S. Citizens are eligible to apply.

### 5. Who is eligible to write my recommendation letter?

A current or past professor is required to write your recommendation letter. Your recommendation letter should be included in your completed scholarship application. If your recommender prefers, they can email it to us directly including your name and school in the subject line.

# 6. What is the scholarship deadline?

- The application deadline is October 4, 2013 at 5:00pm EST. Any applications received past the deadline will not be considered. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

### 7. Where should I send my completed scholarship application?

 Completed applications should be emailed to <u>scholarship@nhmamd.org</u>. Only emailed applications received before the deadline will be considered. All materials should be submitted as one pdf.

### 8. Can I apply more than once?

- Past applicants may apply only if they did not receive an award.
- 9. I missed the scholarship deadline. Is there anything I can do?



- Unfortunately, we do not accept applications past the deadline. If you missed the deadline, we invite you to apply for the 2014 scholarship. Applications are posted in July.
- 10. How many students receive scholarship per year?
  - We award 20 scholarships per year. 11 scholars will receive a 2 year scholarship for \$5,000 per year. 9 scholars will receive a 1 year scholarship for \$2,000.
- 11.1 am interested in applying to your scholarship, but I am in another health profession that is not listed. Am I still eligible?
  - Unfortunately, only health professions explicitly stated in this application will be eligible for the scholarship. We are working hard to expand funding to additional health professional programs and encourage you to check back with us next July.
- 12. Do I need an original transcript?
  - We do not require an original transcript. Transcript should have students full name and date of birth listed.
- 13.1 am currently enrolled to begin a graduate program and have no GPA or transcript yet. What should I do?
  - Please submit your official enrollment in your graduate degree program. Make sure you have at least 9 graduate credit hours "in progress." Also include your official transcripts from your undergraduate studies.
- 14. I'm a senior in high school, am I eligible for any of your awards?
  - No, you must be enrolled in a nursing program and have completed at least 60 undergraduate semester hours to be eligible as an undergraduate. Those seeking undergraduate degrees in pre-med, biology, chemistry, public health, health policy are NOT eligible. Please check back with us in a few years when you are entering your graduate program.
- 15. My grade point average is under the required criteria of 3.0. Would I still be eligible to apply for your awards?
  - No, you must meet the minimum grade point requirements to be eligible. (Example, a 2.98 GPA will not be rounded to a 3.0)
- 16. Do I need to be a National Hispanic Medical Association member to apply?
  - No, membership is preferred, not required.
- 17. If I have already received an award from the National Hispanic Health Foundation, am I still eligible to apply?
  - No, past awardees are not eligible to reapply.