

OPHA Health Education & Health Promotion Section Scholarship Program

The Oregon Public Health Association Health Education & Promotion (HEP) Section Scholarship Program provides opportunities for public health professionals and students to participate in professional and leadership development activities. This scholarship is available for HEP Section Members to attend seminars, workshops, conferences, or forums that will expand the recipients' skill sets and further their career prospects.

We encourage applicants to assess gaps in their knowledge and skills, identify and evaluate learning opportunities, and apply for funds to cover expenses for opportunities that will help them achieve their professional learning goals and address health inequities in Oregon.

The application will be scored on a 10 pt scale. The application includes three short-answer questions, which will be scored based on the strength of each answer. Students and unemployed jobseekers will receive an additional point. The maximum award available will be \$100. We anticipate awarding 1-2 scholarships per quarter. Recipients must provide proof of payment. Scholarships funds will be provided as reimbursements within 30 days.

Eligible expenses:

- Registration fees for educational meetings, seminars, workshops, conferences, or forums
- Continuing education credits (CHES, MCHES, CNE, CME, Naturopathic CE's etc.)
- Required attendee materials (Books, etc.)

Deadlines: The scholarships will be awarded on a quarterly basis and applications are due on the following dates:

- July 31st
- October 31st
- January 31st
- March 31st

(Recipients awards will be announced on August 15th, November 15th, February 15th, and April 15th.)

Eligibility:

- Applicants must be dues-paying members of the OPHA HEP Section.
- Applicants must be employed in the public health field, a student in the public health field, or a graduate of a public health program seeking employment in the field.
- Applicants may apply an unlimited number of times providing he/she qualifies under the established criteria and *has not been a previous recipient within the previous year.*

Requirements for the Application:

- Submit a scholarship application by the following deadlines: July 31st, October 31st, January 31st, and March 31st via email to: green.alissa@gmail.com.
- Recipients must agree to provide a comprehensive one-page written analysis of the session(s) attended at the conference. The summary will be sent through the HEP listserve.

Recipients should include the following in their written analysis:

- 1) Conference name, session title and/or presenter.
- 2) Synopsis of session(s).
- 3) How the information learned will enhance your skill-set as a health educator/promoter.
- 4) How the information learned could be used to address health inequities in Oregon.
- 5) How you will apply the information learned to your profession.