

## 2020 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FOR CONTINUING EDUCATION ASSISTANCE

Beginning 2020, the Foundation will be providing one scholarship on behalf of former Executive Director, Betty Hanna. Hanna served as IAHCSMM's Executive Director for 48 years and was an integral part of the Association since its inception in 1958. She was committed to serving and supporting Sterile Processing professionals worldwide and she strongly encouraged individuals to continue their education and pursue professional advancement opportunities.

This scholarship will provide \$2,000 in educational assistance to a student seeking to pursue a secondary or graduate education in the healthcare field. The scholarship can be used for tuition and/or course materials.

To apply, applicants must meet the following criteria:

1. Be a member of IAHCSMM;
2. Be enrolled in an accredited program at time of application, and provide documentation of admission and recent transcript; and
3. Have successfully completed at least one course (C or better) at time of application and show proof of completion (*Required for Undergraduate applicants only*).

Applications must include:

1. Completed application form (see page 2);
2. Two letters of recommendation from professional contacts, outlining the attributes that would make the applicant a good candidate for the scholarship; and
3. An essay, demonstrating academic excellence and commitment to the healthcare field. The essay should explain how the applicant views themselves contributing to the healthcare field with their chosen degree and how these potential contributions would enhance the profession as a whole. (Essay must be typed; 750-1000 words).

Completed applications must be submitted by **12pm CST on September 15, 2020**. Selection reviews and candidate interviews will be completed by October, 2020.

Scholarships will be awarded through a one-time, lump sum check in the amount of \$2,000. Scholarship recipients will be asked to provide proof of class(s) registration before the check is granted. Proof of class registration must be submitted to the Foundation by December 31, 2020.

Recipients will be announced in IAHCSMM publications and on the IAHCSMM website.

Note: The IAHCSMM Foundation reserves the right not to award a scholarship for a particular year if the evaluations performed indicate that nominations do not meet the stated criteria or scholarship program standards.

### Please submit completed applications by mail, fax, or email:

**Mail:** IAHCSMM Foundation  
55 West Wacker Drive  
Suite 501  
Chicago, IL 60601

**Fax:** 312.440.9474

**Email:** [foundation@iahcsmm.org](mailto:foundation@iahcsmm.org)

*For questions or further assistance, contact IAHCSMM at 312.440.0078 or [foundation@iahcsmm.org](mailto:foundation@iahcsmm.org).*

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## SECTION 1

### APPLICANT INFORMATION

Applicant First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Applicant Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

IAHCSMM ID#: \_\_\_\_\_ Do you hold any certifications? If so, please list them here: \_\_\_\_\_

Years of Service in Central Service/Sterile Processing: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you received a scholarship from IAHCSMM previously? If yes, please list the scholarship details:

Are you seeking an: Undergraduate Degree  Graduate Degree

Cumulative GPA: \_\_\_\_\_ Expected Date of Graduation: \_\_\_\_\_

List Degree You are Pursuing: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Personal Information

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Apt/Floor/Unit: \_\_\_\_\_

City, State/Province, Zip/Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Country: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Preferred Email: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Employment Information

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Current Position Title: \_\_\_\_\_

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## SECTION 2

### LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION

All submissions must include two letters of recommendation from professional contacts, outlining the attributes that would make you a good candidate for the scholarship.

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## SECTION 3

### ESSAY

Please attach an essay, demonstrating your academic excellence and commitment to the healthcare field. The essay should explain how you view yourself contributing to healthcare with a degree in your chosen field, and how your potential contributions would improve the profession. (Must be typed; 750-1000 words).

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### APPLICATION CRITERIA & CHECKLIST

#### I meet the following requirements:

- 1. I am a current member of IAHCSMM.
- 2. I am currently enrolled in an accredited program, and have attached documentation of my enrollment and recent transcript.
- 3. I have already successfully completed at least one course (C or better). *(This is required for those seeking undergraduate degrees only).*

- Section 1: Applicant Information**  
I have completed the applicant information and included my email for updates.
- Section 2: Letters of Recommendation**  
I have included two letters of recommendation from professional contacts.
- Section 3: Essay**  
I have attached my essay to the application.