WSHA Foundation, Inc. Heart of Healthcare Scholarship Award

Guidelines for Application

Qualified applicants include any student committed to pursuing a career or demonstrating an affinity towards working in the medical setting including but not limited to hospital, skilled nursing facilities and outpatient clinics. These students have a passion for becoming a collaborative member and aim to advance clinical practices within the healthcare setting.

The scholarship award will be presented at a WSHA regional meeting or the Convention each year. The date of the scholarship presentation will be determined by the WSHA Foundation, Inc. Board of Directors. The amount to be awarded during the WSHA Convention will be \$2,500. While there are no restrictions on how the money is to be spent, the intent is for it to be used toward education or research. To apply for the Heart of Healthcare Scholarship, a student must meet the following conditions:

- 1. The applicant must be enrolled in an ESB accredited graduate or doctoral program in the state of Wisconsin at the time of application.
- 2. The applicant must be majoring in Speech-Language Pathology with an emphasis on medical/hospital related service.
- 3. The applicant should have a career goal to work in a hospital setting in speech-language pathology.
- 4. The applicant should demonstrate leadership skills related to speech-language pathology practice.
- 5. The applicant must submit two letters of recommendation, which describe the clinical, academic, and leadership abilities that the applicant possesses. Letters of recommendation are preferred from Speech Language Pathology program faculty members or supervisors of medical practicum.
- 6. Submission of an application form together with an official transcript of graduate course work.

The completed application form, transcripts and two letters of recommendation must be received by the WSHA Foundation, Inc. on or before June 28th. Incomplete or late applications will be disqualified. If there are questions, contact the WSHA Foundation at CSEasterling@aol.com.

Mail application to: Wisconsin Speech-Language-Hearing Association Foundation, Inc., 344 Evergreen Lane, Pewaukee, WI 53072.

The WSHA Foundation does not discriminate based on race, color, creed, age, gender, sexual orientation, or disability.

You may duplicate this form as needed.

Heart of Healthcare Scholarship - APPLICATION FORM

Applicant Name:
Preferred Address:
Preferred Phone Number:
University:
Certification by Chairperson of the graduate program: I certify that the applicant has completed two semesters or at least 18 semester credit hours in a graduate program and has a major in Speech- Language Pathology.

(Signature and Title) (Date)

Applicant responses to the following questions will be rated together with the letters of recommendation and grade point average to determine which applicant has excelled in clinical, academic and professional activities.

- 1. What are your plans for a career in Speech-Language Pathology?
- 2. Why did you choose to pursue a career in the medical setting?
- 3. What specific strengths do you bring to your intended profession?
- 4. What experiences have you had in the medical setting as a student? Give 3 specific examples on how these experiences strengthened you personally to be an effective and efficient clinician in the hospital/medical setting.
- 5. What area of interest within the medical setting is most appealing and why?