**Now Accepting Applications for 2016 CANPA Awards**

**Central Alabama Nurse Practitioners Association (CANPA)**

**Continuing Educational Travel Stipend and**

**Educational Award**

CANPA is happy to provide a continuing education travel stipend and an educational award for applicants who are full members in good standing (dues paid) with CANPA. Preference will be given to those who are also members in good standing with the Nurse Practitioner Alliance of Alabama (NPAA).

Interested applicants are invited to submit an essay explaining what it is they hope to accomplish during their career in the advanced practice of nursing. Awardees will be given free registration and honored at our annual CEU Day on February 6, 2016.

Applications are welcomed from CANPA members who meet the application requirements. If you are currently enrolled in a nursing program or have been accepted by a program but not yet started, you are eligible to apply for the educational award.

If you wish to apply, please review the application requirements and submit all documents via email to CanpaAwards@gmail.com

**Details and Requirements**

* 1. Premise
		1. $1,000 will be awarded to one applicant for a **Travel Stipend** and another $1,000 for an academic **Educational Award**.
		2. Educational Awards shall benefit any person 18 years of age or older who is currently accepted to a Nurse Practitioner, DNP, Ed.D or PhD or related program.
		3. A Travel Stipend award will be available for CANPA members who are board certified Nurse Practitioners.
	2. **Requirements Educational Award:**
		1. Applicant shall be at least 18 years of age and be accepted or currently enrolled to an advanced nursing program (as described above).
		2. Applicant must have a minimum GPA of 3.2, based on the previous years or most recent academic performance.
		3. Applicant shall submit proof of enrollment or acceptance to an accredited institution of learning. A photocopy of transcripts or acceptance letter is acceptable.
		4. Applicant shall submit an essay of at least 500 words but no more than 1000 words that explain what they hope to accomplish in the advanced practice nursing field and how they will impact the lives of others with the education and knowledge they acquire while in their training. The essay will also include the student’s opinion of why they feel they should be selected to receive the scholarship funds.
		5. Submit to canpaawards@gmail.com
		6. Questions: Susan Appel sappel@ua.edu or 205-541-6778

Or

* 1. **Requirements Travel Stipend**:
		1. Applicant shall be at least 18 years of age and be a board certified NP, maintaining a clinical practice at least part-time.
		2. Copy of the CEU event brochure and a budget for how funds will be utilized needs to be submitted.
		3. A 500 word essay regarding the impact on your work as a NP that the event will have on the patients for which you provide care.
	2. General Application Process
		1. Applicants shall submit all contact information as contained within the application, including name, address, phone number, email, and date of birth.
		2. Applicant shall submit proof of age. A photocopy of a driver’s license or other valid ID is acceptable.
		3. Nurse Practitioners should submit proof of board certification.
		4. Due date is January 4th, 2016. Incomplete applications will not be considered. Applicants can only apply for one award.
		5. A follow up report from each awardee is due to the Chairperson of the Educational Committee within 6 months of the award. Awardees will be asked to share their report at a CANPA meeting.
		6. Submit to canpaawards@gmail.com
		7. Questions: Susan Appel sappel@ua.edu or 205-541-6778
	3. Selection
		1. Applications will be reviewed by a panel and awardee selected based on criteria set forth in the requirements section of this document.
		2. Once the awardees are decided and notified of the award, he/she will receive a mailed 1099-MISC tax form and the check will be delivered to their address. The awardees will be fully responsible for following IRS rules.

CANPA AWARD APPLICATION

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| First name |  |
| Middle name |  |
| Last name |  |
| I am applying for the following award: | Educational or Travel |
| Street address |  |
| City |  |
| Zipcode |  |
| Email address |  |
| NP Board Certification (Organization & #) |  |
| Currently enrolled in an academic program? If yes, please provide the institution and program |  |
| Short Bio (tell us a little about yourself) 250 words or less |  |

\*\*Attach an essay utilizing the appropriate guidelines (Education award or travel stipend) – at least 500 words (max 1000).