

Barbara Starfield Medical Care Scholar

The purpose of this award is to develop leadership within the Medical Care Section of the American Public Health Association. The award provides financial support to permit advanced training in advocacy for the major goals of the Medical Care Section. The award is conceived as a travel award to permit an individual to attend the full roster of Medical Care Section-related activities (2019 is in Philadelphia, PA November 2 through 6).

Application Requirement: Must be a full-time or part-time Graduate or Undergraduate student at time of application. Must be an APHA member to apply.

Award Requirement: If awarded and not already, must become a member of the Medical Care section

Specifically, these activities include:

- 1) In September and October, assist the leadership in preparing for the 2019 annual meeting.
- 2) Attendance at 3 or more Medical Care Section business meetings at the annual meeting.
- 3) Work a shift at the Medical Care booth in the exhibit hall as schedule permits.
- 4) Attend one Joint Policy hearing and be prepared to offer to clarify, amend or support proposals at the hearing. Report to the Section at its business meeting about the policies discussed.
- 5) Develop an Op-Ed or letter to the editor with assistance of a Medical Care mentor or prepare a news report for APHA The Nation's Health or prepare a Medical Care blog post.
- 6) Participate in major Medical Care sponsored sessions at the annual meeting including: Evening with TBD (Tuesday night); at least one contributed paper session and the student award session (Tuesday afternoon).
- 7) Observe a Governing Council session.
- 8) Meet with APHA's Public Health Congressional fellow.
- 9) Be an Active medical care section member September 2019 through June 2020 by attending monthly Medical Care Section calls, interacting with section leadership, assisting Medical Care Section chair, chair elect, and secretary as requested.

Covered expenses include:

- 1) Transportation to and from the meeting venue
- 2) Meeting registration and APHA membership

Excluded expenses: hotel, food and incidentals

Complete the application on the following page and return the typed materials along with a CV or resume by email to:

Barbara Starfield Medical Care Scholar Committee,
Cody Mullen, cody.mullen@gmail.com

Deadline: Friday, September 6th, 2019

Following a telephone interview with the applicant, the award will be announced by Friday, September 13th

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Name (first, last)	email address	telephone
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Current status: full time student; part time student

Information of a faculty reference is requested; this faculty member may be contacted if student is selected as a finalist:

Name of faculty reference (first, last)	email address	telephone
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Provide up to a 500-word advocacy essay on ONE of the following topics that you would develop for advocacy within the Medical Care Section agenda in the coming year.

- 1) The importance of the social determinants of health
- 2) Engaging the public on why we need a single payer health care payment system
- 3) Reducing gun violence in America
- 4) Achieving Health Equity