Information and Application for Grace and Harold Sewell Memorial Fund Stipends for FIRST-TIME LIBRARIAN ATTENDEES at the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACP) Annual Meeting - Pharmacy Education 2025

Stipend Program Administered by the AACP Drug Information and Library Sciences Section

"The mission of The Grace and Harold Sewell Memorial Fund is to increase <u>librarians</u>' identification with medical, pharmaceutical, and health care professionals. Librarians experienced in managing knowledge and teaching informatics can supply quality information by becoming ongoing members of the health care team. Immersion in the health care environment is necessary for librarians to understand how health care professionals solve problems individually and through consensus." For more information about the fund, see http://www.sewellfund.org.

The American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACP) annual meeting is the largest national gathering of academic pharmacy educators, administrators, and staff. The 2025 meeting, called Pharmacy Education 2025, will be held July 19-22 in Chicago Illinois.

For librarians who have never attended an AACP annual meeting, the Sewell Fund stipend is a minimum of \$1000.00. The stipend may not cover all meeting and travel expenses, but the stipend will pay 100% of the meeting registration fee.

Deadline for application: May 26, 2025

Eligibility criteria for first-time AACP attendees:

Professional librarians with the MLS/MLIS degree who are <u>directly responsible</u> for information support, collection development, and instruction for a pharmacy academic curriculum are eligible for a stipend. At the time of application for a stipend, the applicant must be employed in a library supporting a pharmacy college/school and the pharmacy college/school must be accredited by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE) or have begun the process to be accredited by ACPE.

Recipient requirements:

- 1. Recipients must attend the Drug Information and Library Science Section (DILS) programs in their entirety, and all posters sponsored by DILS. Recipients are encouraged to attend the Basic Resources planning session if one is included in the meeting schedule.
- 2. Recipients must attend at least three other sessions, at least one of which must be a plenary/general session for all attending the meeting. Recipients are encouraged to attend more than this minimum number of sessions.
- 3. Recipients who have never attended an AACP annual meeting before are encouraged to discuss the program with a pharmacy school faculty member who is attending/has attended the meeting. This discussion may occur before, during, or after the meeting.

4. Immediately following the meeting, recipients must submit a report (not to exceed 300 words), giving highlights and perceptions of the AACP, DILS, and other sessions attended (a summary, not just a list). Discuss how these experiences will be beneficial in your work with pharmacy faculty and students. These reports will be published online as models for future applicants, and they may be selected for subsequent publication in print.

Application process:

Complete the attached application form, including:

- A brief description of your responsibilities as liaison to the pharmacy college/school.
- A brief statement (150-200 words) explaining what you expect to gain from attending Pharmacy Education 2025. The statement should address how receiving a stipend would allow you to meet the stated goal of the Sewell Fund to "increase librarians' identification with medical and health care professionals," in this case pharmacy educators.

Stipend award receipt:

The chair of the DILS Awards Committee will coordinate with AACP staff to register the recipient for Pharmacy Education 2025 and to have the recipient enrolled as an AACP member, if necessary.

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| Name |
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| AACP Member # (if already a member) |
| Title |
| University/College |
| Library |
| Library mailing address |
| Email address |
| Telephone number |
| Have you attended an AACP annual meeting? If so, when? |
| A brief description (no more than 200 words) of your responsibilities as liaison to the pharmacy school/college: |

Please attach a brief statement (150-200 words) explaining what you expect to gain from attending Pharmacy Education 2025. The statement should address how receiving a stipend would allow you to meet the stated goal of the Sewell Fund to "increase librarians' identification with medical and health care professionals," in this case pharmacy educators.

By submitting this application, you agree to complete the responsibilities outlined in the Recipient Requirements above. If attendance at Pharmacy Education 2025 is not possible, you are responsible for notifying the Awards Committee as soon as possible.

| E-mail the completed application by May 26, 2025 to Rebecca Carlson at <u>rcarlson@unc.edu</u> . |
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