

MEMORANDUM

DATE: February 1, 2021

TO: Current and Incoming Pediatric Fellows
Division Fellowship Directors

FROM: Ann E. Klasner, MD, MPH

RE: Chu Family Educational Scholarship

In 2015, the Department of Pediatrics (DOP) was given a generous donation from the Chu Family to support educational initiatives. A portion of those funds was designated for Pediatric Fellows as the Chu Family Educational Scholarship. Based on the early success of that program, the DOP has continued to fund this scholarship.

I am pleased to announce that **we are now seeking applications for the Chu Family Educational Scholarship for the Fall of 2021**. Some examples for scholarship would be Master of Public Health, Master of Science in Public Health, Quality Academy or Master of Quality and Safety, Master of Education, Master of Business Administration, Master of Science in Healthcare Simulation, or other educational initiatives not covered above.

Candidates are selected on a competitive basis and selection is made upon a Review Committee's analysis of the written application. For the academic year starting in July 2021, we will select 1-2 candidates to receive a \$5000 scholarship for their chosen educational endeavor.

If you are currently receiving a Dixon Award or if you have previously received a Chu Family Educational Scholarship, you are not eligible to apply for this scholarship cycle.

The application must be submitted as a complete packet and include the following items:

1. The applicant's current curriculum vitae (UAB Format)
2. A copy of grades from prior year/semester or a letter of good standing (if presently enrolled in a program)
3. A Career Plan (2-4 page description) that must include the following:
 - Intent for use of funds – degree or educational program that is being sought and approximate cost for this program;
 - Career goals – How will obtaining this education help advance your career and/or support your long-term career goals?
 - Primary Project that you are or plan to work on - How does this award fit with your career plan and educational goals?
 - How will you fund the remainder of educational cost of this initiative? Or discuss why this is not applicable. (Please include if you are or will receive a training grant for any support.)
4. Letter of support from Fellowship Program Director or Division Director
 - Please include information about how the program/division will support these efforts for the fellow. - i.e. protected time for classes; additional monetary support;
 - What will the program/division do to help ensure the fellow completes this educational initiative?
5. Letter of support from Mentor

Applications should be emailed to rchandler@peds.uab.edu, or delivered to Ronda Chandler in the Sergio Stagno Center, 3rd Floor West McWane Building, **no later than April 16, 2021**. We would like to announce these awards in May to allow the recipients to begin using the funds in the fall.