GLOBAL CHEST INITIATIVES (GCI) SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

GCI (www.globalchestinitiatives.org) is a registered charitable 501 c-3 charitable organization. There are two divisions in GCI, namely;
(1) International Asthma Services (IAS) - The main objectives of IAS are:
   a. Improve the care of the patients with common respiratory ailments like allergies, asthma and COPD in developing countries
   b. Establish or develop infrastructure by providing training to health care professionals, as well as facilitating the transfer of technology
   c. Raise public awareness of these ailments.
(2) Global Cardiology Services (GCS). The objective of GCS is to improve the quality of life for patients with cardiac ailments in developing nations.
   We are honored to be able to offer you the opportunity of this program scholarship.

Application deadlines:
Spring - March 14, 2016 (end of day) and Fall – September 19, 2016 (end of day)

Please submit with supporting materials in one email to: Michelle.Shiver@ucdenver.edu

Two scholarships at $1,000 each will be given each year to different students. The work will be a combination of both field work (doing a survey, epidemiology research) and hospital based (clinical, lab work).

- The fall scholarship has a requirement that the project be conducted in India at Christian Medical College (CMC) in Vellore, Tamilnadu, India (www.cmch-vellore.edu). This project will center on respiratory medicine, preferably related to Allergy, Asthma and COPD. Lodging and meals can be arranged with CMC during the planning process.

- The spring scholarship must be in a developing country but does not have to be in India. This project will center on respiratory medicine, preferably related to Allergy, Asthma and COPD. Location will be considered on a case by case basis. If the student wishes to work in India, there are sites other than CMC (see above) where GCI has contacts and could make arrangements for you to work, as well as confirm lodging.

Criteria for eligibility for this scholarship:
- You are a full-time, currently enrolled student in good standing in one of the University of Colorado health-related programs.
- Preference given to students in final year of study, but applications will be considered from a student in any year.
- You have a faculty supervisor at the University of Colorado and an onsite mentor, and both agree on the project proposal.
- The Scholarship does not require that the student receive academic credit for the experience.
- Students should plan sufficient time to realistically complete a project (an absolute minimum of eight weeks abroad). Stay can be combined with exposure to cultural diversity and experience based upon applicant’s interests.
- The maximum grant is $1,000, paid at the time of presentation and submission of report of your study within 8 weeks following the completion of the work.
- Monies to be spent on air fare at 70% and lodging and meals in the host country at 30%
- There may be future plans for presentations at a national/regional meeting of the specialty organization.
- Results to be published, if possible in a related peer reviewed journal.
The project proposal must include:

1. Completion of the **application** information (see below). For University of Colorado and on site faculty contacts, please include complete information – name, title, university/department affiliation, telephone number, address, email address. You must include your anticipated dates of travel, as well as the number of weeks you plan to spend on the study.

2. **Personal statement** of how this fits into your overall educational plan (approx 1 page)

3. **Abstract** – maximum of one hundred words (very brief summary of your proposed project.)

4. **Description** of your project – clearly describe any pertinent background material; your intent, goals and a brief description of why you selected the topic of study (i.e. what difference will it make that you do this?).

5. Your **scientific view** of this project: the hypothesis, intended methodology, plans for use of data at the completion of the study.

6. The description and scientific view portions together should not exceed five double-spaced typed pages. Please include rationale and future plans for the work.

7. A description of the review process planned for research on human subjects. Any research project sponsored through the University of Colorado needs to at least go through an expedited review by COMIRB. Comment on **COMIRB approval** or at least a reasonable timeline to have this completed prior to your departure from the U.S. This is something that should be discussed with your University of Colorado faculty sponsor.

8. **References** used to describe any of the above.

9. Copy of any **surveys** to be used in the study, if applicable.

10. **3 letters of recommendation** – One from your University of Colorado faculty sponsor, one from your on-site sponsor in the country of study; the last can be from anyone, but should be from another person involved in your project if applicable. It would be helpful if your University of Colorado faculty sponsor could address the plans for human subject review process in their letter as well.

11. Copy of your **CV**.

**After submission of your application:**

- The review and selection committee will include one representative from GCI, one from the host country and one from the Center for Global Health. You will be notified of the decision of the review and selection committee by November 1, 2016 fall application cycle and April 29, 2016 for the spring application cycle.

**If you are awarded, next steps:**

- If you are accepted for this Scholarship, you agree to present your findings at a University of Colorado forum, within eight week of your return.
- With the assistance of your supervising faculty, you will write a report. The report will be a maximum of four pages describing the results of your project and unexpected barriers you experienced. A copy of this report is to be submitted to the Robinson Durst Committee (via e-mail to Michelle Shiver).
- Scholarship monies will be distributed **after** your presentation at a University of Colorado forum and your scholarship paper has been submitted. Per University scholarship policy, the monies will be disbursed into your bursars account at the University of Colorado. The monies will automatically go towards any outstanding balance in your account. If an outstanding balance does not exist, the financial aid office will request the monies be sent to you via check or direct deposit (whichever method you have established with their office).
- A copy of any paper published through this effort will be forwarded to us for our Scholarship files.

Thank you for your interest in international health science. Should you have questions regarding this Scholarship, please contact N Michelle Shiver, Administrator, Center for Global Health, email [Michelle.Shiver@ucdenver.edu](mailto:Michelle.Shiver@ucdenver.edu)

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TITLE OF PROJECT:__________________________________________________________

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PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name_________________________________________ Today’s date:________________________

Address________________________________________________________________________ Zip____________________

Phone___________________________ E-mail________________________

Degree in process:_________________________ in the School of ______________________
(P.T, CHA/PA, MSPH, MD, PhD, PharmD, etc.) Pharmacy, Nursing, Dentistry, etc.)

Expected Graduation date:_________ Student Number ______________________

Your citizenship_________________________ (If other than a US citizenship, please state your Visa
classification.)__________________________________________________________

Date of issue:____________________ This is good until (date)________________________

Person to contact in case of emergency_________________________________

Relationship(s)________________________ Phone number(s)________________________

Remarks:________________________________________________________________________

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PROGRAM INFORMATION

Spring cycle only - Site you wish to visit (include relevant clinic, village, town/city, province, country)
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Sponsoring department (i.e. Pediatrics, Family Medicine, Research dept., etc.)
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Your University of Colorado faculty project sponsor in Colorado (name, degree, dept., phone #, mailing address and email address)
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Your faculty project sponsor overseas (name, degree, institution/clinic affiliation, phone number, mailing address, email address)
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Planned number of weeks overseas:__________________ weeks

Anticipated dates of travel ____________________________

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