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2007 SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

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Certification Scholarships: Assists OMP wishing to advance in the field; up to \$300 to pay for a JCAHPO certification examination. Essays entitled, "Why Certification is Important to Me" are due in the Foundation office by **April 20**.

Continuing Education Scholarships: Up to \$500 to attend JCAHPO's Annual CE Program. Submit an article on 10 ways to recruit OMP into the field, or 15 questions for any JCAHPO examination. Deadline: **June 22**

ATPO Phil Weber Memorial Scholarships: Two \$500 scholarships for attendance at the ATPO Scientific Session in New Orleans. Essay title is "My Most Memorable Patient Experience." Deadline: **June 29**.

Alimera Sciences Scholarships (\$500 each for attendance at JCAHPO's Annual CE Program): Essay titles are "How I Soothed the Eyes of a Dry Eye Patient" and "The Role of the Technician in Diabetic Patient Education." Deadline: **June 29**. Alimera Sciences, Inc. is a 2007 *Partner in Learning* for JCAHPO and ATPO regional programs, and the maker of Soothe[®] eye drops.

NEW!

Harold A Stein, MD, Prize for Best Scientific Paper \$1,500 cash prize, plus \$500 travel and lodging reimbursement for attendance at JCAHPO's 2007 Annual CE Program. Deadline: **June 29**.

View excerpts from 2006 essays at www.jcahpo.org

New Board Members

The Board of Directors of the Foundation elected two new Board members for three-year terms at its annual meeting in Las Vegas November 11, 2006. We welcome new directors Krissa Drentlaw, COT, and Tyree Carr, MD.

Virginia Boyce Service Award Winner!

The JCAHPO Education & Research Foundation was pleased to present the 2006 Virginia Boyce Service Award to Carolyn C. Cavanaugh, RN, CRNO, who began her service to ophthalmology in 1987. Without hesitation, Carolyn gives of her heart, hands, and mind, organizing community health fairs and ophthalmic screenings for diabetic retinopathy, glaucoma, and cataracts; she writes many professional articles for publication that give others insight to ophthalmic patient education and disease processes. She has volunteered with the Charleston Lions Club and the South Carolina Society of Ophthalmology in various projects.

Carolyn organized the Diabetic Retinopathy Project in 1996 to promote public awareness about preventable blindness from this disease. The first campaign reached more than 275,000 people. Carolyn also organized the Glaucoma Awareness Project in 1998. Both projects continue today.

In 2000, Carolyn organized the Pseudotumor Cerebri Noontime Lecture series and Support Group and in 2001 developed the first edition of "The Pseudotumor Cerebri Support Group News." Carolyn also organized a Glaucoma Support Group and a Macular Degeneration Support Group to provide education and to meet great need for this support in the community. She volunteers as patient educator with the "FIGHT for Sight", an MUSC Storm Eye Institute program that provides eye exams to underserved populations.

Carolyn's selfless service to the community brings ophthalmic health care to those in need, and her commitment to excellence in patient care and community service are demonstrated by her continued efforts to serve, educate, and develop new ways to share ophthalmology. Carolyn has been employed at the Medical University of South Carolina since 1987, most recently as ophthalmic Patient Educator since 1995.

LEGACY SOCIETY

Nine people have now included JCAHPO in their estate plans. The Foundation office displays a special plaque with their names. Thank you to those whose gifts will ensure JCAHPO with long-term financial stability. They were each presented with a special Tiffany gift during the Foundation's awards dinner in Las Vegas.

VISIONARY SOCIETY

Remember, individuals need to contribute only \$500 for recognition by the Visionary Society in 2007. Thank you to the 25 participants in 2006, who each received a Visionary Society pin!



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Frequently Asked Questions

Q. Who is eligible for the Virginia Boyce Service Award and how can I nominate someone?

A. The award is given to ophthalmic medical personnel who have made outstanding voluntary contributions in the field of eye care. For information about Virginia Boyce, the Service Award named in her honor, and how to nominate someone, please visit the Foundation pages at www.jcahpo.org or call the Foundation office at 800/284-3937, ext. 246.

Q. Who are the members of the Foundation Board of Directors?

A. Officers and Directors of the Foundation:

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