Program Summary

Purpose of the Scholars Program – To educate and train appropriately prepared GI/endoscopy nurses in order to build a repository of research applicable to the GI/endoscopy setting. Scholars will receive in-person systematic review training utilizing the TCU Center for Evidence-based Practice and Research: A Collaborating Center of the Joanna Briggs Institute.

Scholars Program Dates - January 2016 - December 2018
5-day training class –TBD (like June/July 2016)
Meeting and recognition – May 2016 Annual Course
Systematic Review presentation (poster and/or concurrent session) at Annual Course near or upon completion of review

Criteria for participants include:
- Minimum of 2 years’ experience as a GI/endoscopy nurse
- Master’s degree (not limited to MSN) or greater
- Current SGNA member
- In good standing with state licensure (unencumbered)
- Active employment at least part-time, either clinically or academically, in a nursing role related to gastroenterology/endoscopy
- Must have access to a healthcare-specific/medical library database in their institutional setting or home community

SGNA will be funding the 5-day training class and associated travel expenses, webinar costs and Joanna Briggs membership costs for the Scholars.

Application Components

Please ensure all components of the application are completed prior to sending:

- Completed application (pages 2-3 of application packet)
- Description of experience in research and/or evidence-based practice (address questions on page 3 of application packet in a separate word document)
- Description of other skills and experiences helpful to be successful as a scholar (page 3 of application packet; address in a separate word document)
- One letter of recommendation

Please address questions to Lyndsay Graham at lgraham@smithbucklin.com or 312/673-4714.

Email or fax completed application components by September 30, 2015 to:
Lyndsay Graham
lgraham@smithbucklin.com
312/673-6694
Evidence-Based Practice Scholars Application  
Application Deadline: September 30, 2015

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Name: ____________________________________________  Credentials: ______________________________________

Mailing Address:____________________________________________________________________________________

City: ________________________ State: ________________________ Zip: _________________________

Personal Phone: ________________________ E-mail Address: ____________________________________________

Institution: ________________________________ Work Phone #:________________________________________

Clinical Area: ____________________ SGNA Member ID #:________ Region Name/#:______________________

Involvement (if any) at regional level: _________________________________________________________________

State of Nursing Licensure: _________________ License Number: _______________________________________

Dietary Restrictions (for 5-day training class): _________________________________________________________

Total years as a registered nurse: ____________ Total years in GI nursing: _____________________________

Name of healthcare-specific/medical library database to be used: __________________________________________

Name of Librarian: ________________________________________________________________________________

(Application questions continued on next page)
1. Describe your previous experience with research and/or evidence-based practice by addressing the bulleted questions below. Please complete in a separate word document.

   • What project(s) did you work on?
   • What were your contributions to the project(s)?
   • What were the outcomes of the project(s)?

2. Describe other skills and experiences you feel will help you to be successful as a scholar. Please complete in a separate word document. May be 100 words or less.

As an SGNA Scholar, I agree to:

1) Attend all educational sessions (5-day training class, quarterly webinars, meeting at Annual Course).

2) Participate in group discussions.

3) Fulfill three-year commitment in Program.

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Scholar Signature       Date