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Subject: SGNA Membership Dues Scholarship		
Review Responsibility: SGNA Awards Committee		

Policy Statement:

The SGNA Membership Dues Scholarship has been established to financially assist SGNA members with their annual membership dues.

Focus: SGNA Membership

Purpose:

To outline the process for application and selection of recipients for SGNA Membership Dues Scholarship.

Procedure:

Eligibility for the SGNA Membership Dues Scholarships will adhere to the following criteria:

- 1.1. Applicant must be a member of the Society for two years.
- 1.2. Applicant must be currently employed as a caregiver in the field of gastroenterology.
- 1.3. Applicant must actively support the goals and philosophy of SGNA.
- 1.4. Applicant must demonstrate financial need.
- 2. Ineligibility for SGNA Educational Annual Course Scholarship includes:
 - National Board member
 - Nonmembers of SGNA
 - Previous recipient of SGNA Membership Dues Scholarship
- 3. Scholarships to be awarded will be determined by:
 - 3.1. The amount of funds available.
 - 3.2. The number of scholarships awarded will be determined by the SGNA Budget, Finance and Audit Committee and approved by the Board of Directors
- 4. Awards Committee will review all applications and will announce the winners in the form of an Information Report to SGNA Board of Directors.
 - 4.1. Applications will be received at SGNA Headquarters by October 1 and will be forwarded to the Awards Committee.
 - 4.2. The Awards Committee will review and score all applications and determine winners.
 - 4.3. The Awards Committee will determine the amount of individual scholarships, but this will be based on approved funds. Recipients of SGNA scholarships shall be notified by the SGNA Awards Committee.
- 5. If the scholarship money is not used, it will be returned to SGNA.