

Society of Gastroenterology Nurses and Associates, Inc.	
<i>Board Policy & Administrative Procedure Manual</i>	Policy No: C-9 Page: 1 of 2 Effective Date: 10/06 Revision Date: 10/07, 10/10, 11/12, 2/15 Review Date: 10/08, 10/10, 11/12, 2/15
Subject: SGNA RN Advancing Education Scholarships	
Review Responsibility: SGNA Awards Committee	

Policy Statement:

The SGNA RN Advancing Education Scholarship has been established to financially assist SGNA members to pursue their nursing education.

Focus:

SGNA advocating for nursing education.

Purpose:

To outline the process for application and selection of recipients for SGNA RN Advancing Education Scholarships.

Procedure for SGNA Advancing Education Scholarship

1. Eligibility for the SGNA Advancing Education Scholarships will adhere to the following criteria:
 - 1.1. Applicant must be a registered nurse, working in gastroenterology, who wishes to continue their education by pursuing a BSN, MSN or PhD.
 - 1.2. Applicant must be enrolled full time (as defined by the educational institution) or part time (taking a minimum of 3 credit hours per semester) in an accredited advanced degree program.
 - 1.3. Applicant must have a GPA of at least 3.00 for the Fall semester.
 - 1.4. Applicant must be a current member of SGNA.
2. Ineligibility for SGNA RN Advancing Education Scholarship includes:
 - Previous recipient of 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 announce winners in the form of an Information Report to SGNA Board of Directors.
 - 4.1. Applications will be received at SGNA Headquarters by July 31 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 educational scholarships shall be notified by the SGNA Awards Committee.
- 5. Awards will be given in two categories
 - 5.1. Company Sponsored Scholarships- funded by vendors, varies each year
 - 5.2. SGNA RN Educational Scholarships - funded by SGNA based on available funds
- 6. The winner(s) will be announced in the Fall, and the money will be awarded as a reimbursement after transcripts have been sent to SGNA Headquarters showing that the intended Fall coursework was completed with a GPA of at least 3.0.