



CPNP Foundation to Support Students at #CPNP2018 with Registration Grants and Mental Health First Aid Training

The CPNP Foundation is pleased to announce that they will support students at the 2018 CPNP Annual Meeting, April 22-25, 2018, in Indianapolis, IN. The Foundation will offer 20 student registration and travel grants valued at \$500 each as well as an 8-hour course that offers participants the chance to become Mental Health First Aid certified.

Students interested in being awarded a registration and travel grant should [apply online](#) by **January 17, 2018**. To be eligible, a student applicant must be a full-time pharmacy student in pursuit of her/his first professional pharmacy degree, a paid student member of CPNP in good standing, and they must not have previously received this grant. Students applying for a registration/travel grant must complete an online application and provide a current curriculum vitae; a personal essay of no more than 500 words describing the applicant's interest in CPNP and psychiatric pharmacy, including objectives for attending the meeting; and one letter of recommendation from either a clinical pharmacy practitioner or faculty member.

Grant recipients will receive a full student registration to [CPNP 2018](#) (\$175 value) and a \$325 travel stipend. These grants are possible because of the generous support of CPNP [members](#) and the [CPNP Past Presidents' Destiny Fund](#) which specifically supports student registration and travel grants.

[Mental Health First Aid](#) is an 8-hour training developed to teach participants how to help someone who is developing a mental health problem or experiencing a mental health crisis. The evidence behind the program demonstrates that it helps trainees identify, understand and respond to signs of mental illness and substance use disorders. The course will be offered to students over two days and is also supported by the [CPNP Foundation](#). Session 1 will begin on Saturday, April 21 from 1:00-6:00 PM. Session 2 will take place the following day, Sunday, April 22 from 8:00-11:15 AM.

A registration fee of \$50 will be required to attend Mental Health First Aid training at CPNP 2018 (a value of over \$170). Following the event, participants will receive a certificate from Mental Health First Aid USA acknowledging the completion of this training.

Registration for Mental Health First Aid will be available starting in November. A limited number of spaces are available, so interested students are encouraged to reserve their seats as early as possible.

The CPNP Foundation exists to enhance the capacity of pharmacy professionals to provide effective and compassionate treatment of individuals with mental disorders. Our vision is to be recognized nationally as the conduit for connecting:

1. Pharmacy professionals and individuals living with mental disorders and their caregivers to ensure effective and compassionate treatment;
2. Pharmacy professionals working to foster innovation in mental health treatment.