# 3<sup>rd</sup> NATIONAL EHE PARTNERSHIPS FOR RESEARCH MEETING APRIL 15 AND 16, 2024 | LOS ANGELES, CA SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION

#### DEADLINE

### Scholarship applications due: January 19, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. PT

#### **OVERVIEW**

We are excited to offer two levels of scholarships to help support the participation of early-stage investigators and community and implementation partners involved in the EHE initiative.

- 1. **Partial scholarship** can be requested for either a roundtrip economy airfare <u>OR</u> hotel accommodations for up to two nights.
- 2. **Full scholarship** can be requested for roundtrip economy airfare <u>AND</u> hotel accommodations for up to two nights. These are highly competitive with a limited number of full scholarships available.

#### **APPLICANT ELIGIBILITY**

To apply for a scholarship, an applicant:

- Must be an <u>early-stage investigator</u> (as defined by NIH) who does research in HIV supported by EHE funding (past and current) OR
- 2) Must be affiliated with a community partner and/or implementation partner site involved in an NIH-funded EHE research project (including projects funded from 2019 to present).

#### REQUIREMENTS

Applicants must complete the <u>online scholarship application</u> by Friday, January 19, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. PT. Late applications will not be accepted.

Scholarship applications will be reviewed by the meeting leadership committee. Applicants will be evaluated based on their responses to the application, resume or CV, and letter of recommendation. Notifications of scholarship awards will be sent to awarded recipients by Friday, February 9, 2024.

If awarded, scholarship recipients must book airfare and hotel reservations through UCLA with CHIPTS. Scholarships **cannot** be used to reimburse for airfare or hotel that are booked externally. The economy airfare is limited to domestic travel to and from the meeting city (Los Angeles) only. Hotel accommodations, if awarded, are for up to two nights only at the UCLA Meyer & Renee Luskin Conference Center and are based on room availability.

Scholarship recipients must <u>register</u> to attend the meeting. All scholarship recipients are required to participate in the full two-day, in-person meeting in its entirety. At the close of the meeting, scholarship recipients must complete the daily and overall meeting evaluations.

Failure to comply with these requirements will result in the scholarship being withdrawn, and the recipient will be responsible for paying for all charges incurred related to the scholarship (either airfare, hotel, or both as applicable).

Other travel-related expenses including additional meals, ground transportation, and other incidentals are **not covered** under the scholarship. Scholarship recipients are responsible for covering these additional travel-related expenses.

If the scholarship recipient must cancel their trip (airfare and/or hotel) and cannot attend the meeting for any reason, please contact CHIPTS (<u>chipts@mednet.ucla.edu</u>) immediately. The scholarship is not transferable and cannot be exchanged for cash value or credit.

## **HOW TO APPLY**

The person submitting the application must be the scholarship applicant. The application must include the applicant's CV/resume and a letter of recommendation from either a mentor from the applicant's academic institution or the principal investigator of an NIH-funded EHE project. The letter of recommendation must be placed on institutional letterhead, signed by the recommender, and uploaded as a PDF file by the scholarship applicant.

The recommendation letter should be **no more than 2 pages** and include:

- 1) The full name, degree(s), title, and current academic affiliation of the person providing the letter of recommendation.
- 2) The length of time that the recommender has worked with the applicant.
- 3) A description of the applicant's background, including current position, title, education, or training. Include a description of the applicant's involvement and role in the NIH-funded EHE project and how the applicant can benefit from attending the 2024 EHE Meeting.
- 4) A summary of the applicant's qualifications and research prospects in a brief statement of recommendation.
- 5) A signature from the recommender (either the mentor or principal investigator).

Click <u>HERE</u> to begin the scholarship application.

## QUESTIONS

If you have any questions, please email <u>chipts@mednet.ucla.edu</u>.