

# AAOHN FOUNDATION

## 2023 FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

The **AAOHN Foundation** was established in 1997 to advance the health, safety and well-being of workers, worker populations, and communities through the development of innovative research, education, and training solutions. One way in which this purpose is accomplished is by advancing knowledge in occupational and environmental health through the awarding of grants and scholarships to occupational and environmental health professionals to support ongoing education and research.

**Scholarship Eligibility:** *Current AAOHN Foundation Board of Trustees, AAOHN Board of Directors and their relatives are not eligible for Scholarships.*

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## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SCHOLARSHIPS CONTINUING EDUCATION

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**Purpose** - To support occupational and environmental health professionals in attending and successfully completing continuing education activities that will further their professional development and continued competence. These scholarships are not intended to supplement tuition in an academic program.

**Funds Awarded:** MEDITRAX Conference Scholarship (\$1,500 each— two awards)

**Funds to be applied to continuing education activity/program registration, travel, and/or associated subsistence (food and lodging) fees relating to attendance at the 2023 AAOHN National Conference only.**

**Eligibility Criteria** - Candidates must be employed in the field of occupational and environmental health nursing and demonstrate an interest in, and commitment to, occupational and environmental health. Must be a member of AAOHN.

**Selection Criteria** – Submit a narrative of 500 words or less (double-spaced with 1-inch margins in 12-point font) addressing career goals, development of skills, financial need and commitment to on-going education.

Submissions will be judged based on a 100-point system. Each section indicates the maximum number of points the candidate can earn based upon the content submitted.

- 30 points Career goals: Describe goals as they pertain to applicant’s professional development and continued competence.
- 30 points Developing skills: How continuing education activity will further applicant’s skills and accomplishment of personal goals.
- 15 points Financial Support: Demonstrate need for financial support.
- 15 points Commitment: Demonstrate commitment to ongoing continuing education activities.
- 10 points Letter of support: Submit letter of support from employer/supervisor.

AAOHN Foundation will notify all applicants of results via e-mail.

At the end of the continuing education activity, recipient must submit a copy of the certificate of completion reflecting completion of educational courses. Also required is a short report, 300 words or less, that shares an example of how knowledge learned through the educational programs attended resulted in a positive impact on worker health and safety. Reports will be published on the website, [aaohn.org](http://aaohn.org), and maybe used in other AAOHN publication(s). Reports are due by **July 15**. Scholarship recipients are **not** eligible to apply for a scholarship the following year but may reapply in subsequent years, contingent upon successful completion of activity and availability of funds, up to a maximum of two additional years (three years total).

**Application Deadline** – Complete applications must be emailed to [cmpepler@comcast.net](mailto:cmpepler@comcast.net) on or before **January 1, 2023**. The **APPLICATION FORM** (located on page 9) and narrative document plus appendices should be submitted together and is required for each submission.

## MEDITRAX AAOHN LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE and CONFERENCE SCHOLARSHIP

**Purpose** - Award to a licensed occupational and environmental health nurse dedicated to developing leadership skills to better provide for the health and safety of workers in the workplace and protect and ensure the longevity of the occupational health nursing profession.

**Funds Awarded:** \$2,300 for Leadership Institute 2.5-day Course, National Conference registration and to offset travel and lodging expenses --(one award)

Funds are to be applied to offset costs in attending the 2023 AAOHN Leadership Institute to be held independently of the AAOHN National Conference in San Antonio, Texas, March 13-15 as well as National Conference registration, travel and lodging expenses. The Leadership Institute assists in the development of leadership skills for better worker health outcomes.

**Eligibility Criteria** – Candidates must be a licensed nurse actively working in the field of occupational and environmental health nursing. Must be a member of AAOHN.

**Selection Criteria** – Two letters of endorsement must accompany the candidate application: one letter from a nurse colleague and one letter from direct supervisor/manager. Each letter should not exceed one (1) page. Submit a narrative, which addresses each of the criteria listed below. Narrative responses should not exceed four (4) 8½ x 11” pages (typewritten, double-spaced, single-sided with 1” margins using 12 point font). For all acronyms, provide full name of organization or program upon first use.

Submissions will be judged based on a 100-point system. Each section indicates the maximum number of points the candidate can earn based upon the content submitted. The following factors will be considered in the selection process:

- 20 points Describe future professional goals including evidence of commitment to the field of occupational and Environmental health nursing.
- 20 points Evidence of commitment to professional leadership development.
- 10 points Applicant’s view of important future challenges for OHN nurse leaders.
- 35 points Must complete a project and share learnings with colleagues at the following national conference.
- 15 points Explanation of demonstrated leadership roles at work, in the community, within AAOHN and other professional organizations. Describe how new skills will enhance leadership abilities.

At the end of the 2.5-day leadership education course, recipient must submit a copy of their CNE transcript. A short report, 300 words or less, describing their proposed project including examples of how knowledge learned in the educational course resulted in the project which should have a positive impact on worker health and safety. Reports maybe published on the website, [aohn.org](http://aohn.org), and used in other AAOHN publication(s). Reports are due by **July 15**. Scholarship recipients are **not** eligible to apply for a scholarship the following year but may reapply in subsequent years, up to a maximum of two additional years (three years total).

**Application Deadline** – Complete applications must be **emailed** to [cmpepler@comcast.net](mailto:cmpepler@comcast.net) on or before **January 1, 2023**. The **APPLICATION FORM** (located on page 9) and narrative document plus appendices should be submitted together and is required for each submission. AAOHN Foundation will notify all applicants of results via e-mail.

# AAOHN FOUNDATION MEDITRAX LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE AND CONFERENCE SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

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Name & Credentials:

Mailing Address:

City:        State:        Zip:

Phone:        E-mail:

All chapters to which you belong: \_\_\_\_\_

**Scholarship applied for is the MediTrax Leadership Institute and Conference Scholarship**

### Checklist of Required Application Materials:

PLEASE CHECK CAREFULLY. INCOMPLETE APPLICATIONS WILL BE DISQUALIFIED AND NOT FORWARDED FOR REVIEW.

ALL SUPPORT MATERIALS NEED TO BE SUBMITTED WITH THE APPLICATION.

It is the applicant's responsibility to perform a quantitative review of all application materials and copies submitted

- Narrative addressing selection criteria (not to exceed 500 words, double-spaced, with 1-inch margins in 12-point font)
- Letter(s) of recommendation/support, submitted with application

Staff will acknowledge receipt of all applications submitted. If you do not receive an e-mail stating that your application has been received, please contact the national office. AAOHN Foundation will notify all applicants of results via e-mail.

**Please note:** Recipients of continuing education scholarships must submit a copy of the certificate of completion reflecting completion of educational course(s). All recipients must submit a short report, 300 words or less, that shares an example of how the knowledge learned through the educational programs attended resulted in a positive impact on worker health and safety. Reports are due on **July 15**.

### Application Deadline

Complete applications with narrative document plus appendices must be **e-mailed** to [cmeppler@comcast.net](mailto:cmeppler@comcast.net) on or before **January 1, 2023**. An e-mail confirmation of receipt will be sent to each applicant. If you do not receive an e-mail confirmation within two business days of submission, please contact Catherine Pepler at [cmeppler@comcast.net](mailto:cmeppler@comcast.net).

Applications submitted after the deadline or not in accordance with the guidelines will not be accepted.

## AAOHN Foundation 2023 Professional Development Scholarship

**Purpose:** To support occupational and environmental health professionals in attending and successfully completing continuing education activities that will further their professional development and continued competence. These scholarships are not intended to supplement tuition in an academic program.

**Eligibility Criteria:** Candidates must be employed in the field of occupational and environmental health nursing and demonstrate an interest in, and commitment to, occupational and environmental health. Must be a member of AAOHN.

**Selection Criteria:** Due to generous support from AAOHN members, the AAOHN Foundation is offering one professional development scholarship for an AAOHN member to attend the 2023 AAOHN National Conference in San Antonio, Texas. Members of the AAOHN Foundation Awards Review Panel will judge entries. The recipient will receive \$1,500 to be used to pay registration, flight, food and lodging expenses. It is awarded at the Conference.

### **Procedure:**

- Application and supporting documents must be submitted by **January 1, 2023**.
- Two letters of endorsement must accompany the candidate application. One letter must be from a nurse colleague and the other letter from a direct supervisor/manager. Each letter should not exceed one (1) page.
- AAOHN Foundation will notify all applicants of results via email. You will need to register, make flight and hotel arrangements upon notification of the award. Funds awarded at Conference.

### **Selection Criteria:**

Submit a narrative of 500 words or less (double-spaced with 1-inch margins in 12-point font) addressing career goals, skill development, financial need, and commitment to on-going education. Submissions will be judged based on a 100-point system. Each section indicates the maximum number of points the candidate can earn based upon the content submitted.

30 points	Career goals: Describe goals as they pertain to applicant's professional development and continued competence.
30 points	Developing skills: How continuing education activity will further applicant's goals.
15 points	Financial Support: Demonstrate need for financial support.
15 points	Commitment: Demonstrate commitment to ongoing continuing education activities.
10 points	Letters of support: Submit letter of support from employer/supervisor and a nurse colleague.

Complete applications with narrative document plus appendices must be **e-mailed** to [cmpepler@comcast.net](mailto:cmpepler@comcast.net) on or before **January 1, 2023**. An e-mail confirmation of receipt will be sent to each applicant. If you do not receive an e-mail confirmation within two business days of submission, please contact the national office

At the end of the continuing education activity, recipient must submit a copy of the certificate of completion reflecting completion of educational course(s). Also required is a short report, 300 words or less, sharing an example of how knowledge learned through the educational programs attended resulted in a positive impact on worker health and safety. Reports will be published on the website, [aohn.org](http://aohn.org), and maybe used in other AAOHN publication(s). Reports are due by **July 15**. Scholarship recipients are **not** eligible to apply for a scholarship the following year but may reapply in subsequent years, contingent upon successful completion of activity and availability of funds, up to a maximum of two additional years (three years total).

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## LIBERTY LEADERSHIP SCHOLARSHIPS

### The Emerging Leaders

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**Purpose** - To award a licensed occupational and environmental health nurse dedicated to developing leadership skills to better provide for the health and safety of workers in the workplace and protect and ensure the longevity of the occupational health nursing profession.

**Funds Awarded:** \$1,500 —one award

Funds are to be applied to leadership education activity/program registration, travel, and/or associated subsistence (food and lodging) fees relating to participation in the program. Note: The recipient may choose the leadership education program; however, the program must be approved by the review panel. Submit an activity/program brochure or other published material along with application.

**Eligibility Criteria** – Candidates must be a licensed nurse actively working in the field of occupational and environmental health nursing and demonstrate an interest in, and commitment to, occupational and environmental health. Must be a member of AAOHN.

**Selection Criteria** – Two letters of endorsement must accompany the candidate application: one letter from a nurse colleague and one letter from direct supervisor/manager. Each letter should not exceed one (1) page. Submit a narrative, which addresses each of the criteria listed below. Narrative responses should not exceed four (4) 8½ x 11” pages (typewritten, double-spaced, single-sided with 1” margins using 12 point font). For all acronyms, provide full name of organization or program upon first use.

Submissions will be judged based on a 100-point system. Each section indicates the maximum number of points the candidate can earn based upon the content submitted.

- 35 points Applicant’s view of important future challenges for nurse leaders and how the selected professional development activity will assist in meeting these challenges.
- 25 points Describe future professional goals and evidence of commitment to the field of occupational and environmental health nursing.
- 25 points Evidence of commitment to professional leadership development.
- 15 points Demonstration of leadership roles within AAOHN/other professional organizations/community service and how new skills will enhance leadership abilities.

AAOHN Foundation will notify all applicants of results via e-mail.

At the end of the leadership education activity, recipient must submit a copy of the certificate of completion reflecting completion of educational course(s). Also required is a short report, 300 words or less, that shares an example of how knowledge learned through the educational programs attended resulted in a positive impact on worker health and safety. Reports will be published on the website, [aaohn.org](http://aaohn.org), and maybe used in other AAOHN publication(s). Reports are due by **July 15**. Scholarship recipients are not eligible to apply for a scholarship the following year but may reapply in subsequent years, contingent upon successful completion of activity and availability of funds, up to a maximum of two additional years (three years total).

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## **GRACE KONDAN FORTUNA LEADERSHIP SCHOLARSHIP**

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**Purpose** - To award a licensed occupational and environmental health nurse dedicated to developing leadership skills to better provide for the health and safety of workers in the workplace and protect and ensure the longevity of the occupational health nursing profession.

**Funds Awarded:** \$1,500 — one award for in-person attendance AAOHN Conference  
Funds are to be applied to costs to attend the 2023 AAOHN Annual Conference for the purpose of assisting in the development of leadership skills for better worker health outcomes. Sample costs: registration, travel, and/or associated subsistence (food and lodging) fees relating to participation at conference.

**Eligibility Criteria** – Candidates must be a licensed nurse actively working in the field of occupational and environmental health nursing. Must be a member of AAOHN.

**Selection Criteria** – Two letters of endorsement must accompany the candidate application: one letter from a nurse colleague and one letter from direct supervisor/manager. Each letter should not exceed one (1) page. Submit a narrative, which addresses each of the criteria listed below. Narrative responses should not exceed four (4) 8½ x 11” pages (typewritten, double-spaced, single-sided with 1” margins using 12 point font). For all acronyms, provide full name of organization or program upon first use. Submissions will be judged based on a 100-point system. Each section indicates the maximum number of points the candidate can earn based upon the content submitted. The following factors will be considered in the selection process:

- 25 points Describe future professional goals including evidence of commitment to the field of occupational and environmental health nursing.
- 25 points Evidence of commitment to professional leadership development.
- 35 points Applicant’s view of important future challenges for nurse leaders and how attendance at National Conference will assist in meeting these challenges.
- 15 points Explanation of demonstrated leadership roles at work, in the community, within AAOHN and other professional organizations (consider tenure in AAOHN with ability to be active in the organization). Describe how new skills will enhance leadership abilities.

AAOHN Foundation will notify all applicants of results via e-mail.

At the end of the leadership education activity, recipient must submit a copy of the certificate of completion reflecting completion of educational course(s). Also required is a short report, 300 words or less, that shares an example of how knowledge learned through the educational programs attended resulted in a positive impact on worker health and safety. Reports will be published on the website, [aohn.org](http://aohn.org), and maybe used in other AAOHN publication(s). Reports are due by **July 15**. Scholarship recipients are **not** eligible to apply for a scholarship the following year but may reapply in subsequent years, contingent upon successful completion of activity and availability of funds, up to a maximum of two additional years (three years total).

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## ANNETTE HAAG LEADERSHIP SCHOLARSHIP

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**Purpose** - To award a licensed occupational and environmental health nurse dedicated to developing leadership skills to better provide for the health and safety of workers in the workplace and protect and ensure the longevity of the occupational health nursing profession.

**Funds Awarded:** \$1,500 — one award

Funds are to be applied to costs to attend the 2023 AAOHN Annual Conference for the purpose of assisting in the development of leadership skills for better worker health outcomes. Sample costs: registration, travel, and/or associated subsistence (food and lodging) fees relating to participation at conference.

**Eligibility Criteria** – Candidates must be a licensed nurse actively working in the field of occupational and environmental health nursing. Must be a member of AAOHN.

**Selection Criteria** – Two letters of endorsement must accompany the candidate application: one letter from a nurse colleague and one letter from direct supervisor/manager. Each letter should not exceed one (1) page. Submit a narrative, which addresses each of the criteria listed below. Narrative responses should not exceed four (4) 8½ x 11” pages (typewritten, double-spaced, single-sided with 1” margins using 12 point font). For all acronyms, provide full name of organization or program upon first use. Submissions will be judged based on a 100-point system. Each section indicates the maximum number of points the candidate can earn based upon the content submitted. The following factors will be considered in the selection process:

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- 25 points Evidence of commitment to professional leadership development.
- 35 points Applicant’s view of important future challenges for nurse leaders and how attendance at National Conference will assist in meeting these challenges.
- 15 points Explanation of demonstrated leadership roles at work, in the community, within AAOHN and other professional organizations (consider tenure in AAOHN with ability to be active in the organization). Describe how new skills will enhance leadership abilities.

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# AAOHN FOUNDATION PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION FORM

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Name & Credentials:

Mailing Address:

City:            State:            Zip:

Phone:            E-mail:

## Indicate the scholarship category for which you are submitting an application:

- Continuing Ed Conference Scholarship - MediTrax     Annette Haag Leadership Scholarship
- AAOHN Professional Development Scholarship     Liberty Leadership Scholarship
- Grace Fortuna Leadership Scholarship

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- Letter(s) of recommendation/support, submitted with application

**Please note:** Recipients of continuing education scholarships must submit a copy of the certificate of completion reflecting completion of educational course(s). All recipients must submit a short report, 300 words or less, that shares an example of how the knowledge learned through the educational programs attended resulted in a positive impact on worker health and safety. Reports are due on **July 15**.

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