

## APIC Indiana Chapter 076

### Scholarship for First Time Attendees to the APIC International Conference

As the result of a special donation, APIC Indiana announces a \$2500 scholarship for current members who need monetary assistance to attend the 2011 APIC International Educational Conference. Application is open only to individuals who have not previously attended the Conference.

Increased attendance of APIC Indiana members serves to strengthen Chapter 076 and contributes significantly in the development of strong leaders at the state and regional levels by:

1. Providing challenging educational sessions, which enable the APIC member to enhance his or her own personal Infection prevention knowledge and practices;
2. Informing APIC Indiana members about the many goals and activities of APIC National through the various activities and resources available at the conference;
3. Promoting fellowship and the free exchange of ideas with international APIC members / speakers in multiple areas of Infection prevention and
4. Increasing enthusiasm to participate in state and region functions to further the creative and expert work performed by Indiana infection preventionists.

Members active in Chapter 076 functions (e.g., regular attendance at APIC Indiana Chapter Board of Directors meetings, chapter educational conferences and regional meetings) receive special consideration.

Awarding scholarship funds is at discretion of APIC Indiana's Board of Directors and goes to an applicant who is in good standing and meets the following conditions and requirements. Employment in any type of facility doing Infection Prevention is accepted.

1. The applicant must be a currently active member of International APIC, APIC Chapter 076 and their APIC Indiana region.
2. The applicant must have been in the field of infection prevention for at least one year.
3. The applicant must submit a written application to the Chapter President or Treasurer detailing the following:
  - A. demographic data including name, address, telephone, FAX, email,

- employer and number of years in infection prevention;
- B. reasons for wanting to attend the International APIC Conference;
- C. circumstances that would prevent attendance without the scholarship;
- D. an approximate budget, including registration, room, travel and meals and
- E. **how you will disseminate the knowledge you gain at the conference to the APIC Indiana membership. (e.g., design a poster display, give a brief presentation (5 minutes) at the fall state Conference, or write an article for the state newsletter). You will need to do one of these.**

4. Use of the awarded funds is limited to expenses associated with attendance at the next International APIC Educational Conference.
5. The deadline for application submission is April 1, 2011.
6. There are three ways to submit – via the post, by email or by fax.
7. Applications must go to either:

President  
Diana Korpala, RN, CIC  
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Mishawaka, Indiana 46544  
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or

Treasurer:  
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- 8 The APIC Indiana Board of Directors will review the applications and select scholarship recipient(s) by April 10, 2011. The President will notify the recipient.