



Hello MN SOPHE Members,

Summer keeps moving along and many will be taking a break or getting ready for fall and academic schedules. We hope you are staying safe and healthy as you enjoy August. Here are highlights from the Board meeting held on August 13.

Time to Register!

Two great CHES/MCHES opportunities are coming your way.

August 19, MN SOPHE hosts a Webinar from 12-1 pm. **Climate Change and Health: Impacts, Solutions and You**. Presenters: Cherylee Sherry and Patrick Stieg. Members can earn 1 CHES/MCHES credit for **free!**

2021 Annual Summit is open for registration! *Looking Toward the Future: A new Decade of Public Health Education*. Review the agenda and check out the presentations at:

<https://mnsophe.wildapricot.org/page-18093>

October 20, 8:15 am to noon. Business meeting and awards presentations to follow. We hope to see you at this virtual event. Register for both events at: <https://mnsophe.wildapricot.org/events>

MN SOPHE Awards to be presented at Summit!

Awards chairperson, Liz Heimer says “Thanks to all who made nominations for the 2021 MN SOPHE awards”: **Health Educator of the Year Award** and **Outstanding Contributions to Public Health Education Award**. Nominations closed on August 15 and the committee is now in the review and selection process. Stay tuned for the announcements at the Summit Business meeting on Oct 20.

MN SOPHE Student Scholarship: 2021 SOPHE Advocacy Summit

This award provides financial support for one (1) MN SOPHE Student Member to attend the 2021 SOPHE Advocacy Summit, occurring virtually on October 13-14.

https://www.sophe.org/professional-development/conferences_events/advocacy-summit/

Total scholarship amount will not exceed \$110, which is the cost of Standard Student Registration. The scholarship recipient will be reimbursed upon submission of receipts, and the required reimbursement form following the event.

Applications are due Friday, September 3.

Submit your scholarship application here: <https://forms.gle/1i5aSRswutjKEqe89>

Interest in MN SOPHE Board Positions?

Members will be asked to elect new board members for 2022-2024. Are you interested in being active in the organization? Do you know of others who would like to impact our work? Contact President, Kelly Kunkel to nominate: sopheminn@gmail.com. It is a great experience with great people!!

Congratulations to Dr. Mary Kramer!

Mary Kramer, MN SOPHE President Elect, recently completed the program and exam for the Tobacco Treatment Specialist certification. This shows her continued efforts and commitment to reduce the impact of smoking and tobacco use in our community.

If you have good news to share, please let us know sopheminn@gmail.com

Submitted by: Jean Streetar, Secretary