To honor the legacy of Dr. Swaiman and his contribution to child neurology, the Child Neurology Foundation’s (CNF) Board of Directors is pleased to announce the establishment of the Dr. Kenneth F. Swaiman Medical Student Scholarship thanks to the support of his wife and pediatric neurologist Dr. Phyllis Sher.

Administered annually beginning in May 2022, the $5,000 summer research scholarship will be given to each of three (3) U.S. or Canadian medical students who have an interest in exploring a career in child neurology. Travel expenses up to $1,000 will be provided to attend the annual Child Neurology Society meeting. The award will be open to second- or third-year medical students for a basic or clinical research project in child neurology conducted under the direction of a child neurologist.

Guidelines

Applications should not exceed five pages (including the cover letter) using a double-spaced, Arial, 11 pt, 0.5” margin format and should include the following:

- A cover letter with complete applicant contact information (name, email, phone, address), mentor contact information (name, title, email, phone, address), project title
- The hypothesis to be tested
- A description of the proposed methods
- Goals for the project
- The feasibility of the proposal
- The facilities to be utilized

In addition, the application must also include a letter from the child neurology mentor agreeing to sponsor the student and oversee the project. The letter should specify that the mentor will be responsible for ethical conduct of research and for obtaining, if necessary, Institutional Review Board approval of the research.

Applications should be sent to:

Allyson Eyermann, CNF Operations Manager
Email Address: aeyermann@childneurologyfoundation.org
Subject Line: CNF Swaiman Scholarship

Applications must be submitted by April 11. Only emailed applications will be accepted. Confirmation of receipt will be sent to all applicants. If confirmation is not received within 2 business days, please call Allyson Eyermann at 888.417.3435. Applications will be reviewed by a committee of child neurologists. All applicants will be notified of the committee’s decision by May 17.

The recipient and mentor are each responsible for providing a summary of the research and the mentor-mentee experience to the Child Neurology Foundation via email by September 1.

For more information, contact:
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