SGIM Leadership in Health Policy (LEAHP) Program

The targeted learners for this program are the members of SGIM, particularly, but not limited to those at an entry or junior level, with no prior health policy experience necessary. Entrance into the program will be through a competitive application process with an acceptance of approximately 20 individuals per program year. **All applicants MUST be SGIM members at the time of application in order to be considered for the program.**

The 2021-2022 LEAHP program will have a large virtual component. Successful applicants will be expected to participate in monthly conference calls (webinars and journal clubs) and will be expected to attend sessions during the time of the SGIM 2021 Annual Meeting (held virtually April 20-23, 2021). Successful applicants will also be expected to attend the SGIM 2022 Annual Meeting (April 6-9, 2022 in Orlando, FL), one local advocacy experience (time and place of participant’s choosing), and to participating in independent and online study during the year between meetings. Members of the LEAHP cohort will complete 2 capstone projects during the year (i.e. articles, white papers, curriculum development, workshop, etc.) in collaboration with an assigned mentor.

We encourage applicants to meet with leadership at their institution (e.g. Division Head, Department Chair or Dean) to advise and review their professional goals and to discuss how the LEAHP Program can benefit the applicant and their institution.

To complete your application, please submit the following materials as **PDF files by 11:59pm Eastern time on November 16, 2020.**

1. A brief statement of interest in the LEAHP program (limit: one page). In your statement, please address your area of health policy and advocacy interest, your health policy or advocacy experience to date (if any), your personal goals for the program, and your plans regarding how the program will benefit you and your institution;
2. Your current CV; and
3. A letter of support from a leader at your institution (e.g. Division Head, Department Chair or Dean). This letter should address:
   a. The rationale for the applicant’s participation in the LEAHP program;
b. A statement indicating sufficient funding is available to cover the applicant’s cost for
application in the program;
   i. LEAHP program fee ($1000, payable once the application has been accepted)
   ii. Travel and registration expenses for two SGIM annual meetings

   c. An agreement to provide protected time for program activity which will include
      attendance at:
      i. Two consecutive SGIM annual meetings
      ii. Monthly phone calls with a LEAHP program mentor
      iii. Monthly phone calls with an HPC subcommittee (either research, clinical
           practice, or education)
      iv. Bi-monthly webinars with the LEAHP cadre (usually on a Friday afternoon)
      v. Bi-monthly journal club conference calls with the LEAHP cadre (usually on a
         Friday afternoon)

The application deadline is 11:59pm Eastern time on November 16, 2020. Notification of acceptance
into the program will occur no later than January 15, 2021.

LEAHP Application Instructions

How to apply (SGIM Members):

1. Log on to your SGIM member account: https://www.sgim.org/home/members-login If you have
   not renewed your password since October 15, you will be prompted to set a new password. Please
   do so and log into the new SGIM member portal.
2. Click on “Awards and Nominations” at the top of the screen and choose “Applications and
   Nominations” and the “View Open Competitions” from the dropdown boxes
3. Select “LEAHP Program 2021” from the available open competitions
4. Once you have read the instructions, select the Enter Now button at the top right
5. Name your entry with your first and last name and also type first and last name into the “Name of Applicant” line

LEAHP Program 2021 - Form Information

Name this Entry *

Entry Form
Upload your letter of support
Choose File

Upload Files

Maximum upload size per file: 3MB

Name of Applicant:

6. Upload ALL of the required documents and then choose either “Save as Draft” to come back to your work later or “Next” to begin finalization.

7. Preview your submission and finalize. You will get a pop-up notification that your application has been successfully submitted.

Questions?
• Contact Francine Jetton, SGIM Director of Communication, at jettonf@sgim.org or 202-887-5150.