

**Announcing**  
**Society for Healthcare Epidemiology of America (SHEA)**  
**2003 Fellowships**

*SHEA 3M Infection Prevention Fellowship*  
*SHEA Ortho-McNeil Fellowship*

*SHEA is privileged to offer two fellowships starting July 1, 2003, generously supported by our partners 3M and Ortho-McNeil. The 3M Infection Prevention Fellowship is focused on non-antibiotic prevention strategies of surgical site infections or catheter related bloodstream infections. The Ortho-McNeil Fellowship will focus on unique interventions to control antimicrobial resistance or the use of molecular epidemiology to study the transmission of antimicrobial resistance and develop effective interventions.*

**Criteria for Application**

- Applicants must be from an accredited Infectious Disease training program.
- The fellowships are for salary support and do not cover indirect costs charged by individual institutions.
- Applicants are expected to commit to two years of research under the SHEA fellowship. The fellowships begin July 1, 2003.
- The SHEA fellowships cannot be divided among two or more trainees (one fellowship, one fellow).
- Less than 2 months a year of clinical time during the SHEA fellowship will be permitted (defined as clinic sessions, ID on-call, ID Fellow clinical rotations, (Acting) ID Attending clinical rotations)
- Applicants must have a commitment for a position at an accredited Infectious Disease training program during the two-year period of the award.
- The preceptor must have a proven record of research and/or expertise in the proposed area of research.
- Submitted research proposals must be for the topic specified in the fellowship application.
- Awardees will be expected to attend the SHEA Annual Scientific Meeting in Arlington, VA (April 5-8, 2003).
- Interested applicants must submit an "Intention to Submit an Application" form that must be received by **December 6, 2002**.
- Completed applications (visit [www.shea-online.org](http://www.shea-online.org) for instructions) and all supporting materials must be received by **January 3, 2003**.

**Intention to Submit an Application**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Applicant Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Country: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Institution Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Institution Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Country: \_\_\_\_\_

Work Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Fellowship you intend to apply for (check one):  
 SHEA/3M Infection Prevention Fellowship  
 SHEA/Ortho-McNeil Fellowship

Mail, fax or e-mail the completed form to:  
SHEA, Attention: Linda Wright  
19 Mantua Road  
Mount Royal, NJ 08061  
Fax: (856) 423-3420, Phone: (856)-423-0087  
Email: [sheahq@talley.com](mailto:sheahq@talley.com)

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## Application Form

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### The SHEA Trainee Award

The Society for Healthcare Epidemiology of America invites nominations for the 2003 SHEA Trainee Award to be presented at the 13th Annual Meeting in Arlington, Virginia. The award is intended to recognize and support the work of trainees in infection control/healthcare epidemiology who submit abstracts for consideration for presentation at the SHEA Annual Meeting. The award consists of an honorarium, a certificate and registration to the Annual Meeting. Selection will be based on the scientific merit of the nominee's submitted abstract and on evidence of developing scholarship in infection control/healthcare epidemiology. The award recipient will be honored at a ceremony after the opening plenary session on April 5, 2003.

#### Eligibility

1. Nominees must hold an Associate Membership in SHEA.
2. Nominees may not apply for both the SHEA Trainee Award and the SHEA Mentor Fund Award.
3. Prior recipients are ineligible for this award.
4. An abstract accepted for presentation at the Annual Scientific Meeting.

#### Nomination procedure

1. A SHEA member must submit a nomination letter. The letter must include evidence of the nominee's developing scholarship in infection control/healthcare epidemiology.
  2. Each nominee must submit a curriculum vita.
  3. Each nominee must submit a statement of career goals.
  4. Each nominee must submit a hardcopy of his or her submitted abstract.
  5. Each nominee must mark the check-box on this page indicating nomination for the SHEA Trainee Award.
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### The SHEA Investigator Award

The Society for Healthcare Epidemiology of America invites nominations for the 2003 SHEA Investigator Award to be presented at the 13th Annual Meeting in Arlington, Virginia. The award is intended to recognize the work of investigators in infection control/healthcare epidemiology, in practice for less than 15 years, who submit abstracts for consideration for presentation at the SHEA Annual Meeting. The award consists of an honorarium, a commemorative plaque and registration to the Annual Meeting. Selection will be based on the breadth and quality of the nominee's contributions to infection control/healthcare epidemiology and on the scientific merit of the nominee's submitted abstract. The award recipient will be honored at a ceremony after the opening plenary session on April 5, 2003.

#### Eligibility

1. Nominees must be members of SHEA in good standing.
2. Nominees must be in practice for less than 15 years (starting from time of completion of fellowship training).
3. Prior recipients are ineligible for this award.
4. An abstract accepted for presentation at the Annual Scientific Meeting.

#### Nomination procedure

1. A SHEA member from outside of the nominee's institution must submit a nomination letter.
  2. The nominee's academic division chief must submit a letter of support.
  3. Each nominee must submit a curriculum vita.
  4. Each nominee must submit a hard copy of his or her electronically submitted abstract.
  5. Each nominee must mark the check-box on this page indicating nomination for the SHEA Investigator Award.
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Name (print): \_\_\_\_\_ SHEA Member (circle one) Yes No

Please mark the box of the award you are applying for:

- SHEA Trainee Award (note: may not also apply for the SHEA Mentor Fund Award)
- SHEA Investigator Award

- Applications for the SHEA Trainee Award and the SHEA Investigator Award must be submitted on this Official Application Form.
- Send the application, abstract, and other requested materials to: SHEA Headquarters  
19 Mantua Road  
Mt. Royal, NJ 08061
- All materials must be postmarked by January 13, 2003 to be considered for an award.
- Further information may be obtained by contacting SHEA Headquarters at (856) 423-0087.



THE SOCIETY FOR HEALTHCARE EPIDEMIOLOGY OF AMERICA  
13TH ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING

Electronic Submission

## CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

The Society for Healthcare Epidemiology of America will hold its next annual scientific meeting during the following time period

**April 5 - 8, 2003**

The meeting will be held at the Crystal Gateway Marriott Hotel in Arlington, VA. The Society invites the submission of research abstracts from all areas of Healthcare Epidemiology.

**<http://www.shea-online.org>**

Complete information including submission deadlines is available on the website.

The three and one-half day program will be devoted to broad epidemiological issues relating to adverse clinical outcomes, nosocomial infections, occupational risks of healthcare workers, and quality assessment in adult, pediatric and long-term care settings.

### The Subject Categories This Year Are:

Antimicrobials-Prophylaxis of Nosocomial Infection	Long-Term Care	Prevention and Control
Disinfection and Sterilization	Molecular Epidemiology	Product Evaluation
HIV/AIDS/Hepatitis	Non-Infectious Adverse Outcomes	Quality Assessment
Hospital-Acquired Pneumonia	Nosocomial Infections in Pediatrics	Resistant Organisms
Hospital-Acquired Urinary Tract Infections	Occupational Injuries & Employee Health	Surgical Site Infections
Infections in Compromised Patients	Outbreaks	Surveillance
Intravascular Device-Related Infection	Patient Safety	Tuberculosis
		Other

*Authors may indicate on their submissions their preference for the type of presentation. However, the Committee reserves the right to assign the type of presentation.*

**NEW THIS YEAR! Late Breaker On-line Abstract Submission**

Further information may be obtained by visiting the SHEA website ([www.shea-online.org](http://www.shea-online.org)).

All abstracts this year will be submitted electronically over the worldwide web. For additional information contact: **SHEA Meetings Department, 19 Mantua Road, Mt. Royal, NJ 08061**  
**Phone: (856) 423-7222 ext. 350 Fax (856) 423-3420**  
**Email: [sheamtg@talley.com](mailto:sheamtg@talley.com)**

### Dates to Remember

**November 4, 2002** - abstract submission opens

**January 13, 2003, 5:00 p.m., CST** - deadline for abstract submission

**February 24, 2003, 5:00 p.m., CST** - deadline for late breaker abstract submission

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## **SHEA MENTOR SCHOLAR FUND AWARD**

The Society for Healthcare Epidemiology of America invites applicants for the 2003 SHEA Mentor Scholar Fund Award. This award is intended to help support scholarly activity in hospital epidemiology among post-graduate medical or doctoral trainees.

### **Deadline**

Applications must be received no later than February 28, 2003.

### **Amount of the Award**

The award consists of \$1,000 to be used to support scholarly activity in hospital epidemiology, including purchasing of books, memberships, attendance at meetings, courses, research activities or any combination of these. One award will be granted per year. The successful candidate will be known as the 2003 SHEA Mentor Scholar.

### **Eligibility**

Applicants must be in a post-doctoral training program. Applicants applying for SHEA Trainee Award are not eligible for SHEA Mentor Scholar Award.

### **Application**

Please submit the following:

1. A letter describing the applicant's interests in infection control and how this Award will further applicant's career goals. Please limit the letter to one page with one-inch margins and font size of 10 point or greater.
2. Applicant's curriculum vitae.
3. A letter of support from the applicant's supervisor/mentor, stressing the applicant's potential impact on the field of infection control.

### **Selection**

Applications will be reviewed by members of the SHEA External Affairs Committee. The award will be granted based on merit, need, and demonstrated commitment to healthcare epidemiology.

### **Please forward the required documents by February 28, 2003 to:**

The Society for Healthcare Epidemiology, 19 Mantua Road, Mt. Royal, NJ 08061, Phone: (856) 423-0087,  
Fax: (856) 423-3420, Email: sheahq@talley.com

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## **SHEA TRAVEL AWARDS**

SHEA Travel Awards are available to Fellows for participation in the 13th Annual Scientific Meeting of the Society for Healthcare Epidemiology of America, April 5-8, 2003 in Arlington, Virginia. Listed below are the specifics for the 2003 Fellow Travel Awards competition:

### **Awards**

1. Recipients will be awarded a grant to defray registration, travel and lodging costs up to \$900 for expenses associated with attendance at the Annual Scientific Meeting.
2. Recipients will receive a one-year complimentary membership in SHEA.
3. Recipients will be honored at an awards ceremony after the opening plenary session on April 5, 2003.

### **Eligibility**

1. Nominees must currently be enrolled in a full-time fellowship, or residency, program and have a demonstrated interest in infection control/healthcare epidemiology.
2. Nominees must submit an abstract for consideration at the Annual Scientific Meeting and the abstract must be accepted for presentation.
3. One nominee per institution will be considered.
4. Preference will be given to Senior Fellows.

### **Nomination procedure**

1. Each nominee's faculty advisor must submit a letter of nomination summarizing the nominee's qualifications.
  2. Each nominee must submit a statement of career goals.
  3. Each nominee must submit a hardcopy of his or her electronically submitted abstract.
  4. Send submissions with all the requested materials to: SHEA Headquarters, 19 Mantua Road, Mt. Royal, NJ 08061
  5. All materials must be postmarked by January 13, 2003 to be considered for an award.
  6. Further information may be obtained by contacting SHEA Headquarters at (856) 423-0087.
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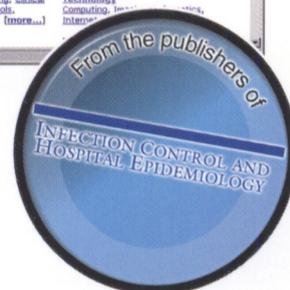
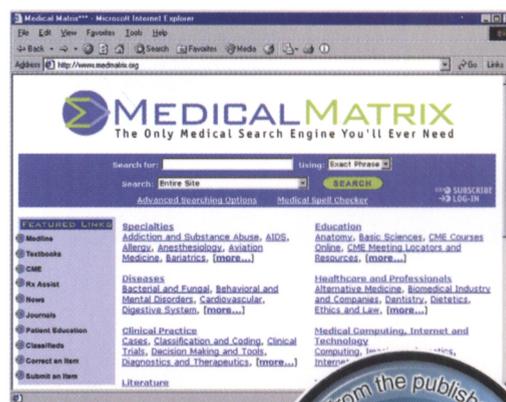
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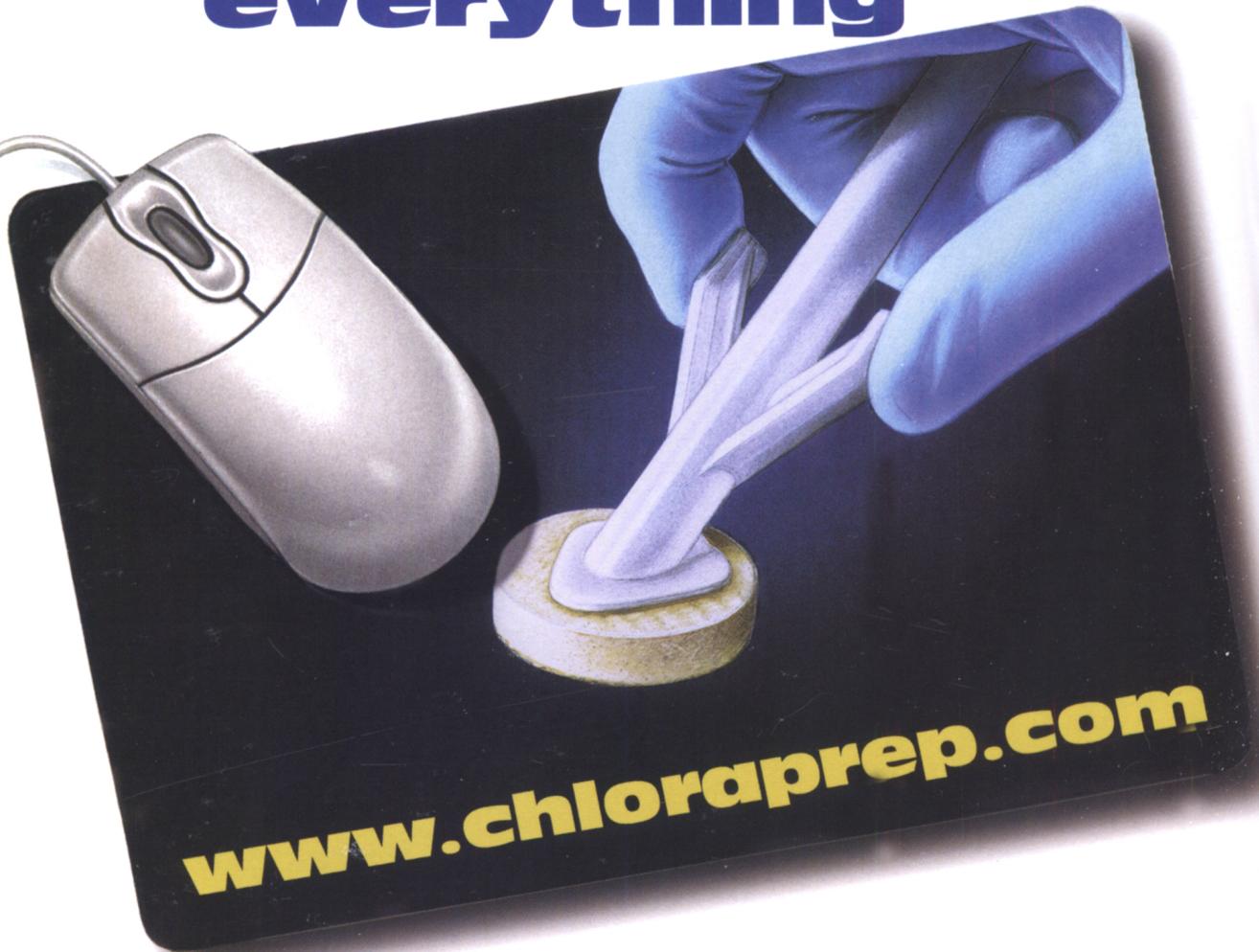


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