



Sandi Qualley National Meeting Scholarship Fund 2024 Application

Mission

The Sandi Qualley Scholarship Fund is an educational scholarship awarded to a Hemophilia Association of the Capital Area (HACA) member to attend the National Hemophilia Foundation (NHF) Bleeding Disorders Conference or the Hemophilia Federation of America Symposium. It is named in honor of Sandi Qualley, who served as the Executive Director of HACA from 1989 to 2011.

Eligibility

Any member of HACA with a bleeding disorder who is living in the geographical boundaries, including Prince Georges or Montgomery County, Maryland; Northern Virginia, or Washington, DC.

Please note that all applicants must adhere to the conference guidelines. Information is available on the conference website.

Guidelines and Application Procedure

- Scholarship recipients will be determined through a review process conducted by volunteers on the Sandi Qualley Scholarship Committee.
- Scholarships are limited to funding availability.
- Priority/special consideration will be given to:
 - First time attendees and those not previously funded by HACA.
 - Individuals who have volunteered and/or are active members of HACA.
 - Individuals who are clearly able to communicate a need for and benefit from attending such a meeting.
 - Applicant's intention to make effective use of the information and training provided (i.e. write an article for the HACA newsletter or speak about the experience at a HACA event).
- In 2024, we will award one scholarship to the Hemophilia Federation of America's Symposium in Indianapolis, **April 11-13** and one scholarship to the National Bleeding Disorders Foundation's Bleeding Disorders Conference in Atlanta **September 12-14**. Scholarships may be used to help defray the costs of airfare/mileage, hotel accommodations, and annual meeting registration fees. The maximum award will not exceed \$1,000 for an individual or \$2,000 for a family of two or more persons. The applicant will be responsible for all meals and

other incidentals. **When you complete the registration for Symposium, you must fill out the application for HFA's travel grant for hotel rooms.**

- The deadline for submitting the grant for the HFA Symposium is **February 16**. Deadline to submit for the BDC is **June 1**. More information regarding NBDF's travel grants will be shared when the information becomes available.
- Please inform HACA on the application if paying for the registration is a hardship, and we can make arrangements for HACA to set up the registration.
- A scholarship applicant should understand that if s/he is selected for the scholarship funds and expenses are paid or reimbursed by HACA, s/he is expected to attend the meeting. Should an applicant not attend the meeting, s/he may be asked to reimburse HACA for all expenses incurred on his/her behalf.

Sandi Qualley Scholarship Application Form

Please print or type.

Applicant's Name: _____ Date of Birth: ____/____/____
First Middle Initial Last

Home Address: _____
Street/PO Box Apt/Unit #

_____ City State ZIP

Home Telephone Number: _____ E-mail: _____

The HTC which I attend is: _____

The name of my doctor is: _____ His/her phone number is: _____

I have: Hemophilia A Hemophilia B vWD Other: _____

I am a sibling or parent of a person with a bleeding disorder.

Check One: I plan to attend the meeting on my own My family and I plan to attend the meeting

Please check here if you are unable to pay for the registration and need HACA to complete the purchase on your behalf:

Please attach a separate page explaining in 500 words or less why you are applying for this scholarship and what you expect to gain from attending this national meeting.

Release of Information Waiver

I am an individual with a congenital bleeding disorder or a parent or sibling of a person with a bleeding disorder in need of financial assistance to attend a national meeting. I authorize the release of information to the Hemophilia Association of the Capital Area in order to verify all statements made in this application. I also give permission to use my name/and or photo in HACA's web site, HACA News, or any other press release that HACA deems appropriate.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Email completed application and attachments to director@hacacares.org