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# The Haley Cremer Foundation Physical Therapy Scholarships

The Haley Cremer Foundation was founded in 2015 in loving memory of an outgoing, enthusiastic, and compassionate individual.

Haley was tragically taken from us on Father's Day, June 15, 2014.

At the time of her death, Haley was preparing to enter her junior year at Simmons College to continue her studies toward a Doctorate in Physical Therapy. She is remembered as someone who cared deeply for others, always providing encouragement to those around her. We honor Haley's legacy through our recognition and support of individuals and organizations exhibiting four core values: Demonstrating Compassion for others; Instilling Perseverance in the face of hardship; Fostering Insight and recovery; Championing Renewal of spirit.

The Haley Cremer Foundation and American Physical Therapy Association of Massachusetts are pleased to announce the establishment of the Haley Cremer Memorial Scholarship and the Haley Cremer Memorial Professional Conference Scholarships, for aspiring physical therapists throughout Massachusetts.

The scholarship recipients will be college students who display Haley's passion and dedication to education, the profession of physical therapy, and improving the lives of others.

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# The Haley Cremer Memorial Scholarship

The Haley Cremer Foundation will honor Haley's legacy by offering a scholarship to physical therapy students, in an effort to provide financial assistance to help a student maximize their education experiences. The award will be given to an individual that demonstrates passion and dedication to school, to the profession of physical therapy, to helping others, and improving lives of those around them as Haley did every day. Consideration will be given to an individual best demonstrating the core values which Haley lived by.

### Scholarship Award: \$5000

### Scholarship Eligibility:

- 1. The nominee must be a Physical Therapy student in the final two years of the professional phase of their entry level program in Massachusetts. The nominee must have successfully completed at least one full-time clinical education experience at the time of nomination.
- 2. The nominee must be an APTA MA member in good standing
- 3. The nomination packet shall include the following 3 letters of recommendation:
  - a. Faculty: Faculty have the unique perspective of watching students evolve throughout their time at the college or university. Faculty members are able to identify students who demonstrate certain strengths, personalities, and involvement in professional activities. We are looking for a nomination from faculty members to identify students that exemplify the qualities listed above.
  - b. Peer: There is no greater form of respect than recognition from your peers. We are looking for a letter of support from a student peer that exemplify Haley's qualities listed above.
  - c. Clinical/Volunteer/Cooperative Supervisor: A letter of support that highlights the strengths listed above, in the context of patient care.

# Nomination Procedure:

- 1. Students must be nominated for this award by an APTA MA member in good standing, serving in the capacity of Clinical Instructor (CI) or academic faculty.
- 2. Nominations must include the required nominee profile form (see enclosed) and CV or Resume
- 3. Three (3) recommendation letters addressing the criteria delineated above must accompany the nomination.
- 4. Only one nominee may be submitted from each college or university.



## Haley Cremer Memorial Professional Conference Scholarships

The Haley Cremer Foundation looks highly upon students who are actively involved in their professional organizations. This includes attending American Physical Therapy Association sponsored events, as well as presenting platform and poster presentations at peer reviewed conferences. These scholarship awards will be made throughout the year based upon the nominations received and available funding.

**Scholarship Award:** To be determined based on nomination and estimated associated conference costs

#### Award Eligibility:

- 1. The nominee must be a Physical Therapy student in the final two years of the professional phase of their entry level program in Massachusetts.
- 2. The nominee must be an APTA Member in good standing
- 3. Submission must include proof of accepted poster/platform/research presentation at a peer-reviewed state, national, or international venue.

#### Nomination Procedure:

- 1. Students must be nominated for these scholarships by a college or university Physical Therapy faculty member who is an APTA of MA member in good standing.
- 2. Nominations must be submitted on the required nomination form (see enclosed).
- 3. Nominations must include a letter of support from a supervising faculty member.
- 4. A copy of the abstract must be submitted with the application. Additionally, nominees must be willing to allow the Haley Cremer Foundation to post a summary of the research presented on its website and social media.

