

CONTEST GOAL AND OBJECTIVE

The essay contest is one activity of the **Innovations in Medical Education Conference** supported by Ministry of Health, United States Agency for International Development, Ho Chi Minh city University of Medicine and Pharmacy and The Partnership for Health Advancement in Vietnam (HAIVN) under the IMPACT MED Alliance project. The conference will be on December 2 -3, 2017, in Ho Chi Minh city.

Medical students are the future of health care in Vietnam. This first annual essay contest is organized to create a platform for medical students to reflect on their values and priorities and write about how every medical professional can make a difference in the world.

THIS YEAR'S THEME IS "Who is the 21st century Vietnamese Physician?"

• How to apply

Student are encouraged to send an original unpublished essay of 800 – 1000 words in Vietnamese or English, express your opinion on "Who is the 21st century Vietnamese Physician?"

Essays can only be written by one person and the copyright of the essays entered will be assigned to the organizer.

Essays should be submitted electronically as a *.doc or *.pdf email attachment to **essaycontest@haivn.org** and should include following information:

- » Student's Name
- » Gender
- » Age
- » Ethnicity
- » Name of medical university where enrolled, year in school
- » Mailing address, phone number, email address

• Who is eligible

The contest is open to all medical students in Vietnam, who desire to contribute to a dynamic health care environment in Vietnam.

Selection process

Judges will be blinded to the participant and affiliated medical school. Judging will be based on originality, uniqueness, flow of thought, and appropriateness to the theme. The winner must be able to attend the Innovations in Medical Education Conference on December 2-3, 2017.

• Deadline for submission: 31 October 2017

For additional inquiries, please contact Ms. Nguyen Thu Phuong email: nguyenphuong@haivn.org

AWARD

The following awards will be:

1st Prize: Certificate, \$400

2nd Prize: Certificate, \$200

3rd Prize: Certificate, \$100

Top 3 winners will have chance to present their essays at the **Innovations in Medical Education Conference** in December 2-3, 2017 in Ho Chi Minh city (travel and accommodation sponsored).

Winning essays will be published in local Vietnamese newspapers, MedPharmRes – a journal of Ho Chi Minh city University of Medicine and Pharmacy, and disseminated to the participants at the Innovations in Medical Education Conference.