June 21, 2021

Dear Public Health Professional:

Each year, NC SOPHE recognizes outstanding and significant contributions made in the Health Education profession.

The Citation Committee welcomes you to submit nominations for any of the four awards that have been established by NC SOPHE. The four nomination award categories, which are fully described in the nomination packet, are the:

* ***Grace Daniel Promising New Health Educator Award***
* ***Outstanding Health Educator Award***
* ***Kathy Kerr Outstanding Health Education Project Award***
* ***Chapter Student Recognition Award***

Please take the time to recognize deserving health educators who have made a positive impact in our field. Enclosed you will find the nomination packet and details explaining how to nominate a person or project for the awards listed above.

**Nominations and supporting documents must be submitted electronically AS ONE DOCUMENT (via e-mail, PDF format ONLY) by 5:00 P.M. on August 27, 2021**. Nominations received after this time or incomplete nomination packets **will not** be considered. These awards will be presented at NC SOPHE’s 2021 Annual Meeting, to be held virtually, November 4-5, 2021.

If you have any questions, you may contact:

**Danielle Braxton & Tiffany Thigpen**

**Awards Committee Co-Chairs**

**E-mail:** [northcarolinasopheawards@gmail.com](mailto:northcarolinasopheawards@gmail.com)

Thank you for your contributions to the field of Public Health and Health Education. We look forward to receiving your nomination(s).

Cordially,

The NC SOPHE Awards Committee

**North Carolina Chapter, Society for Public Health Education, Inc.**

#### **Nomination Form**

1. Type of nomination: (*check only one*)

Grace Daniel Promising New Health Educator Award

Outstanding Health Educator Award

Kathy Kerr Outstanding Health Education Project Award

\_\_\_\_ Chapter Student Recognition Award

2. Name of Nominee or Project

3. Nominee’s educational background (College Degree, Major, Graduation Year):

4. Nominee’s work experience (Agency, Title, Number of Years Worked):

5. Is the nominee an active NC SOPHE member? (*check only one*)

Yes No Unknown Not applicable

6. How long has the nominee been an active member of NC SOPHE? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

7. Name of person making nomination:

Title/Position:

Address:

Telephone:

E-Mail:

8. Please provide one (1) complete nomination packet for each award nomination. The packet must include:

1. **This Completed Nomination Form**
2. **A one (1) page nomination narrative. This narrative should include a concise statement of the reason(s) why the individual and/or project should be considered for an award, with emphasis on accomplishments and outcomes as described in the award criteria.**
3. **Three (3) support letters and other pertinent information as attachments (in addition to the nomination narrative).**
4. **To be considered ALL information must be submitted in ONE PDF document titled: “NCSOPHE 2021 Award\_(Name of Award)\_(Last Name of Nominee)”**

***This nomination form and the supporting documents must be submitted electronically in ONE PDF file***

***by 5:00 P.M. on August 27, 2021 to the following e-mail address:***

[northcarolinasopheawards@gmail.com](mailto:northcarolinasopheawards@gmail.com)

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**Grace Daniel Promising New Health Educator Award**

The purpose of this award is to recognize a new health educator in North Carolina who has made outstanding contributions to the profession. This award was established as a tribute to the late Grace Daniel, former Chief of the Office of Health Education with the North Carolina Division of Health Services.

The **Promising New Health Educator Award** may be presented annually as determined by the Citation Committee when a nominee meets the following minimum criteria:

* The nominee must be a NC SOPHE member in good standing for at least one (1) year.
* The health educator is a North Carolina resident, a professional health educator and a member in good standing of NC SOPHE.
* The person being nominated has practiced health education for five (5) years or less.
* The contribution(s) must be innovative and significant to the health education profession.
* The contribution(s) must clearly demonstrate the **impact** of health education on a **program, project, or community**.
* The nominee must have demonstrated commitment to the profession of Health Education and to the Profession-wide Code of Ethics for Health Education.
* The nominee must have demonstrated commitment to the profession through involvement in NC SOPHE, the NC Public Health Association, or entry-level or advanced-level certification for Health Education Specialist (CHES) or Masters Health Education Specialist (MCHES).

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### **Outstanding Health Educator Award**

The purpose of this award is to recognize a professional health educator in North Carolina who has made outstanding and long-lasting contributions to the profession of health education.

The **Outstanding Health Educator Award** may be presented annually as determined by the Citation Committee when a nominee meets the following minimum criteria:

* The nominee must be a NC SOPHE member in good standing for at least the past two (2) years.
* The professional health educator must be a NC SOPHE member in good standing with more than five (5) years of health education practice in NC.
* The individual cited must have made a significant impact in the field of Health Education in North Carolina.
* Although there is no age criterion, the professional maturity of the individual should be considered.
* The individual cited should have made a contribution that is both unique and outstanding in scope.
* Contributions made by the individual should have received widespread recognition by the health education professional community. One or more contributions cited must have occurred in the last five (5) years.
* The nominee must have demonstrated commitment by the individual to the profession of Health Education and the Profession-wide Code of Ethics for Health Education.

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#### **Kathy Kerr Outstanding Health Education Project Award**

The purpose of this award is to recognize organizations in North Carolina which have sponsored outstanding projects in health education. This award honors the late Kathy Kerr, former NC SOPHE Member and Project Award Recipient.

The **Outstanding Health Education Project Award** may be presented annually, but only when the Citation Committee receives a meritorious nomination.

The criteria for the award are as follows:

* The project cited must have made a significant impact in the field of health education in North Carolina.
* The project cited should have demonstrated outcomes, which are both unique and outstanding in scope.
* Achievements made by the project should have received widespread recognition within the health care profession and the community. One or more achievements cited must have occurred within the last five (5) years.
* The nominee must have demonstrated commitment to excellence in the practice of Health Education.
* The project cited must be one that clearly demonstrates collaborative efforts.

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#### **Chapter Student Recognition Award**

The purpose of this award is to recognize exemplary student achievements in the field of public health and health education.

The **Chapter Student Recognition Award** may be presented annually, but only when the Citation Committee receives a meritorious nomination.

The criteria for the award are as follows:

* Nominee displays efforts to achieve the goals and objectives of the local chapter.
* Nominee’s activities reflect systematic application of health education principles.
* Nominee’s contributions to the profession or the local chapter exceed expectations.
* Nominee has had specific involvement /activities related to health education such as volunteerism, internship, conference attendance, etc.
* Nominee displays distinctive and consistent leadership to local chapter through contributions to specific workshops and conferences, committee activity, or elected office
* Nominee’s contribution/achievement is carried out in accordance with the SOPHE Code of Ethics.
* Nominee takes a leadership role in school, work, or local chapter responsibilities.
* Nominee has a minimum Grade Point Average (GPA), of 3.0 (include copy of unofficial transcripts and a listing of any awards/honors received)
* Nominee must be a current member of NC SOPHE at the time of nomination.
* Nominee's major must be in health education, public health, public health policy, public health communication, or similar course of study.

The selected Chapter Student Recognition Award winner will receive a $125 award and his or her name will be forwarded by each chapter to the SOPHE House of Delegates (HOD) to be entered in the national nomination. The HOD will then select one student to attend the SOPHE Annual Meeting and be recognized at the HOD Annual Business Meeting.

The student being nominated must complete the following form to be submitted with the nomination packet.

**2021 Chapter Student Recognition Award**

Nominee’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Nominee’s Address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

I am a member of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Chapter.

Degree/course of study: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**YES/NO**: I am willing to have my application forwarded to the House of Delegates (HOD) for the national nomination for the travel stipend award to attend the HOD Annual Business Meeting, and I understand any other expenses to attend the HOD Annual Business or SOPHE's Annual Meeting are my responsibility.

In addition to the application form, the student must provide one letter of recommendation from a former or current faculty member or a professional outside of academia who is knowledgeable of the student’s credentials and abilities **AND** a copy of unofficial transcripts.

**Personal Statement**

I. Student's overall goals and objectives for working in public health, community health, health education or health promotion:

II. How the award will help assist the student in achieving stated goals:

III. Community/extracurricular involvement:

IV. Leadership:

V. Academic performance:

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