**West Virginia University, School of Dentistry’s Certified Tobacco Treatment Training Program (WVU SoD CTTTP) Scholarship**

**Background:**

West Virginia University, School of Dentistry in cooperation with the Health Sciences Center Office of Interprofessional Education is one of 19 nationally and internationally Tobacco Treatment Training Programs certified by the Council for Tobacco Treatment Training Programs (CTTTP). **COURSE DESCRIPTION:** This three-day course provides continuing education for multiple health care providers. Throughout the Tobacco Treatment Training Program, lectures, role-playing and case presentations will be utilized to discuss pharmacological and counseling interventions with patients interested in tobacco cessation. The case presentations will involve patients with relatively healthy medical conditions to patients having multiple medical problems. Alternative methods such as the electronic cigarette, smokeless tobacco and more recent products will be discussed. **TARGET AUDIENCE:** This course is recommended for physicians, physician assistants, dentists, dental hygienists, nurse practitioners, nurses, pharmacists, respiratory therapists, social workers, licensed practicing counselors, addiction and prevention professionals and other health care providers who encounter tobacco using patients/clients.

**Purpose:**

Twenty scholarships to cover the cost of the CTTTP for WVU employees who are interested in the implementation of specific tobacco cessation topics into either their Health Science Center Professional programs’ curricula or personal patient care.

1. Awarded participants will need to attend the three day course and attain ≥80% certification exam score to become a certified tobacco treatment specialist.

**Eligibility Criteria:**

To be eligible for the coverage of cost for the WVU SoD CTTTP Course/Scholarship you must:

- Provide Personal Statement, with your name included on document

  Please prepare a brief ≤ 300 word personal statement which describes:

  1. WVU, WVU Medicine or WVU Research Corporation employment position
  2. Your interest in tobacco cessation as it applies to either implementation of tobacco cessation topics into a WVU Health Science Center Program or into your patient care practice:

- Lead the initiative to have all graduating WVU HSC students eligible to apply to become a certified tobacco treatment specialist (CTTS). This will require implementation of specific tobacco cessation topic objectives into each program’s curricula with didactic training and patient care application through provision of tobacco cessation counseling and pharmacotherapy to their tobacco using patients and attainment of an ≥80% certification exam score.

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- Apply tobacco cessation into your own patients’ care to help tobacco using patients who are interested in cessation.

**Important Dates:** Submission by March 15, 2019 to Suann Gaydos: mgaydos@hsc.wvu.edu

Must be able to attend the WVU, School of Dentistry’s CTTTP course on May 15, 16, 17 2019 at the Health Science Center between the hours of 7:45am to 5pm. [https://dentistry.hsc.wvu.edu/continuing-education/upcoming-course-information/](https://dentistry.hsc.wvu.edu/continuing-education/upcoming-course-information/)