



College of Psychiatric and Neurologic Pharmacists Foundation Announces 2018 Defining the Future Grant Recipients

The CPNP Foundation is pleased to announce the recipients of the third annual *Defining the Future Research Grant Awards*. With nearly double the amount of applications from 2017, the CPNP Foundation was incredibly encouraged by all of the people who are working to improve the lives of people living with mental disorders and their caregivers. Thank you to everyone who applied and is doing this important research!

A requirement of the *Defining the Future* grant program is that the research project must mirror the mission and vision of the CPNP Foundation. The grant selection team felt that four research projects stood out and aligned well with topics in psychiatry, neurology, and substance use disorders. After a meticulous evaluation process, the CPNP Foundation selected four grant recipients. The award recipients are as follows (in alphabetical order):

- **Destiny Boutain**, Pharmacy Student, Xavier University of Louisiana: Assessing Mental Health Knowledge Amongst HBCU Students
- **Abby MacCauley**, Pharmacy Student, UNC Eshelman School of Pharmacy: Pharmacist and Pharmacy Student Wellness and Mental Health Analysis
- **Sarah Piccuiro**, Pharmacy Student, University of Texas at Austin College of Pharmacy: Incorporating Mental Health First Aid into Pharmacies and Pharmacy Schools: A Description of Methodology and Screening Results
- **Lusi Zhang**, Pharmacy Student, University of Minnesota: Brain-derived Neurotrophic Factor (BDNF) and Cognitive Performance in Patients on Long-term Antipsychotic Treatment

Defining the Future Grants are awarded annually. Applications are due late summer, and recipients are announced in early October. Pharmacy students, residents, and fellows are eligible to apply. Now is the time to start thinking about your research project and planning to submit it for consideration for a **2019 Defining the Future Grant**.

The CPNP Foundation exists to enhance the capacity of pharmacy professionals to provide effective and compassionate treatment of individuals with mental disorders. Our vision is to be recognized nationally as the conduit for connecting:

1. Pharmacy professionals and individuals living with mental disorders and their caregivers to ensure effective and compassionate treatment;
2. Pharmacy professionals working to foster innovation in mental health treatment.