Stanley E. Michels Health Careers Scholarship Program

Who: Collaboration between CUNY, Upper Manhattan Empowerment Zone, Columbia University and Community Districts 9-12.

Why: 1,500 hours of internship is required by New York State for students to complete any health science related program. Those 1,500 hours are unpaid. Students in these programs mostly work while they go to College and often have to take time from work to devote to their clinical internship. Students often give up or postpone completion of the degree program. The award is designed to help students overcome this obstacle.

What: To give students majoring in an Allied health program an opportunity to receive a stipend of up to $12,500. Recipients will receive stipends calculated at a rate of $10.00/hour to begin no later than the third semester of the student’s internship.

Where: The award supports students who are residents of Community Districts 9 (Morningside Heights, Manhattanville and Hamilton Heights) 10(Central Harlem) 11(Central Harlem) & 12(Washington Heights and Inwood)

When: During the internship phase.

How: In addition to submitting proof of residency in the Empowerment Zone and/or Upper Manhattan, applicants will also be required to provide documentation to meet the following eligibility requirements:

- Must be permanent or citizen of the United States;
- Must be enrolled in an occupational therapy, physical therapy, radiological technology, or medical laboratory technology;
- Must maintain a cumulative grade point average of no less than 2.5;
- Must demonstrate financial need; and,
- Must provide two letters of recommendation to the program from faculty members or clinical/internship supervisors.