

**New Investigator Scholarship Award - \$2,500**  
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The National Investment Center for the Seniors Housing & Care Industry and Mather LifeWays are pleased to announce the **New Investigator Scholarship Award** to be presented to a graduate student or new investigator for an original, evidence-based paper that addresses critical issues faced by professionals, providers, or investors in the field of senior living. The original paper should demonstrate scientific rigor and make a contribution to the senior living industry. The winning paper will be published in the 2012 issue of *Seniors Housing & Care Journal*.

**Eligibility**

- Applicants must either be currently enrolled in a doctoral degree program or must have completed all requirements of their doctoral program no more than one year before time of submission.
- The scientific paper must be based on completed research and demonstrate application to the senior living industry. Topics of interest include: macro trends and market analysis; senior housing issues; risk management; operations; government, policy, or regulatory issues; and, service/care outcomes data.
- As an original work, applicants must assure that the paper (or a version of it) has not been published elsewhere and is not being considered for publication elsewhere.
- Applicants should be the first author on the paper.
- Applicants are required to have a letter of support from their advisor or another faculty member accompanying the paper submission.

**Requirements**

- **The deadline for scientific paper submittal is Monday, April 2, 2012.**
- The scientific paper must follow the **2012 manuscript guidelines** of *Senior Housing & Care Journal*. Please contact Saher Selod, Associate Managing Editor at [sseud@matherlifeways.com](mailto:sseud@matherlifeways.com) for a copy of the guidelines.
- The letter of support from the advisor or research mentor should state that the advisor/mentor endorses the submitted paper as one that merits consideration for this award, and that the paper represents the applicant's original work based on completed research. The letter of support should also confirm that the applicant is either currently enrolled in a doctoral degree program or has completed all requirements of their doctoral program no more than one year before time of submission.

**Review and Selection Process**

- A minimum of two members of *Seniors Housing & Care Journal's* editorial board will review the paper. Based on specific review criteria, editorial board members will rate each submission.
- The three top scoring papers will be reviewed by the editors of the journal who will select the award winning paper. The winning paper will be designated as such in the 2012 issue.
- The author of the winning paper will receive results of the review, all comments, and suggested revisions (if necessary) via email. If any changes are required for final acceptance of the paper for publication, it is the sole responsibility of the author to make necessary revisions and submit the revised paper prior to the publication deadline.
- All papers submitted for the award will be considered for publication in the 2012 issue based on results of the review process. Authors of all submitted papers should be willing to undergo the review process for publication consideration.

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