



North Carolina Society of Cytology

Professional Development Award

In remembrance of Arlene Parrish (June 17, 1953 – November 7, 2014)

Through a generous donation by the American Society of Clinical Pathology (ASCP), the North Carolina Society of Cytology (NCSC) is paying tribute to the life and contributions of Arlene Parrish, one of our local educators and leaders in cytology, by awarding a registration to ASCP's Lab Management University (LMU) to a qualified individual.

A. Arlene Parrish

Arlene Parrish, MS, SCT(ASCP), CT(IAC), was the founder and Cytotechnology Program Chair for 23 years at Central Piedmont Community College in Charlotte, NC, which is now the last remaining cytotechnology program in North and South Carolina. Sadly, Arlene unexpectedly passed away in early November, 2014. She was dedicated to the field of cytology and to the education and professional development of her students, many of whom are practicing cytotechnologists in North and South Carolina.

B. The Arlene Parrish Professional Development Award

In conjunction with the ASCP, the NCSC wishes to pay tribute to the life and professional contributions of Arlene Parrish through the awarding of a registration to LMU.

In less than 2 years, the 25-course Lab Management University (LMU) Fundamentals program, a joint initiative of the APF and ASCP, has grown to close to 5,000 participants worldwide, providing Laboratory Professionals, Pathologists, and Residents alike with the foundation and practical skills they need to elevate their careers, with real results. LMU offers a foundational level of courses across six core competencies; Leadership, Personnel Management, Operations, Financial Management, Path Informatics and Compliance. LMU is for individuals moving into leadership positions, or who are in the leadership realm and want to gain the skills to run their labs to produce greater growth and profits. Visit <http://www.ascp.org/lmu> for more information.

C. Applying

The Arlene Parrish Professional Development Award is open to certified Cytotechnologists and Pathologists who have been practicing for a minimum of 3



years and wish to advance their professional development in laboratory management. We ask that only serious applicants apply as the program consists of 25 hours of on-line courses which are counted towards continuing education credits. Once enrolled, the participant will have a 3 year period to complete the program to receive an LMU certificate of completion from the ASCP. Applicants must be current members of the NCSC.

We ask that applicants submit the following to be considered for the award:

1. Curriculum vitae (CV).
2. One page essay describing your contributions to the field of cytology locally, nationally, or internationally and how the award will help you in achieving your professional goals.
3. One letter of recommendation (Use the document provided by NCSC).

Those interested should apply no later than December 30, 2016. Please submit required materials to nccytology@gmail.com. Put "Arlene Parrish Professional Development Award" in the subject line.

D. Process

The recipient will be chosen based upon previous accomplishments, career goals, and professional recommendations. A panel consisting of Kimberley Kaylor, head of the cytology program at CPCC, and the NCSC Board will be responsible for reviewing the applicant's information and choosing who they feel is the most qualified individual. The awardee will be contacted by January 31, 2017 and recognized at the 2017 annual meeting. If a current NCSC officer applies, they will not be included in choosing the award recipient.

This information and any updates will be posted on the NCSC web page (www.nccytology.org). Any questions should be sent to nccytology@gmail.com with "Arlene Parrish Professional Development Award" in the subject line.