

National Health Sciences Students' Association  
& Journal of Interprofessional Care Presents:

**2011 International Essay Contest on  
Interprofessionalism**



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Ever wanted to share a great experience working with other health care professionals and providers? Excited to convey how teamwork can be practiced in a clinical setting?

The National Health Sciences Students' Association (NaHSSA) and the Journal of Interprofessional Care (JIC) is pleased to announce the call for the 2011 International Essay Contest on Interprofessionalism. We invite you to share your thoughts with us!

### Awards

**Winner:** \$500 cash prize and essay publication in the JIC and essay featured on the NaHSSA website.

**Runner Up:** \$100 cash prize and essay featured on the NaHSSA website.

### Essay

Each participating student is required to submit a **1500 word (maximum)** essay on ONE of the following topics:

1. Have you ever witnessed or been a part of healthcare professionals working together towards a common goal? Outline the experience and discuss (with use of the interprofessional literature) how this interprofessional collaboration experience may alter patient outcomes.

OR

2. Share your insights on the current state and future of interprofessionalism in healthcare. Discussion may include an analysis about interprofessional education and /or interprofessional collaboration in the healthcare system, improving patient outcomes, and other relevant topics.

Please also note that competitive essays should display high level thinking by linking these topics to broader concepts.

Essays should be in accord with the [house style](#) for the JIC and submitted to [essaycontest@nahssa.ca](mailto:essaycontest@nahssa.ca). Please also include your full name, program of study, and school name along with your essay upon submission.

### Adjudication

A panel of judges selected and approved by the NaHSSA and JIC will judge entries according to the following criteria: substance and originality, clarity and composition, and adherence to contest guidelines. The winning authors will be contacted via email.

### Eligible entrants

1. Full time or part time students
2. Enrolled in undergraduate or graduate studies at a college or university
3. Pursuing a degree in health sciences or affiliated programs

### Deadline for submission

March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2011 (22:00:00 EDT). Please note that this is the final deadline and no late applications will be considered.

Please see the April 2009 edition of the [NaHSSA Newsletter](#) to read about the recipients of 2009 NaHSSA Essay Contest.

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