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Dear Ms. Pennington,

The Arkansas Department of Health invites applications for the Stead Scholars program for the summer of 2013. Arkansas residents enrolled as undergraduates in accredited four-year colleges and universities are eligible to apply. Two awards will be made and each awardee will be expected to spend two months at the Department's central office in Little Rock. Each scholar will receive a stipend of \$2000.00 for the summer's experience.

Each scholar will be assigned to work in one of several possible areas within the Department such as the Center for Public Health Practice, the Public Health Laboratory, the Center for Public Health Advancement, the Center for Local Public Health, or the Center for Public Health Protection. This experience will provide the student with an introduction to public health, with exposure to applied and basic science, clinical practice and health policy development. The scholars will be expected to attend weekly conferences and meetings held in the Department including those in Epidemiology, Public Health Grand Rounds and the Science Advisory Committee. Before completion of their summer's work, the Stead Scholars will present a brief paper to the Science Advisory Committee on a topic selected by them in conjunction with their assigned Department of Health mentor. The stipends will be provided by the Arkansas

Community Foundation and the award process and selection of the scholars will be made by the Science Advisory Committee at the Arkansas Department of Health.

To apply, the student must submit a resume, a letter explaining why he/she would like to learn about the science of public health and a college transcript. A letter of recommendation, sent separately by the college advisor, is also required. All of these items should be sent to Dr. Joseph H. Bates, MD, MS, Deputy State Health Officer and Associate Dean at the UAMS College of Public Health at the address set out below. Applications will be accepted until May 1, 2013 and the successful applicants will be notified soon thereafter.

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