



SCLERODERMA STUDENT ESSAY CONTEST

Generating awareness and knowledge about scleroderma is possible **at any age!** Choosing **scleroderma** as a research topic helps to not only **spread the word** about the disease, but also helps to inform others about how they too can **join the fight** against scleroderma! With this in mind, the **Scleroderma Foundation** is proud to sponsor their first annual **Scleroderma Student Essay Contest.**

Who is eligible? Students in grades 4-12 are eligible to submit a written paper on scleroderma by May 3rd, 2010. This could be *your* chance to show off your work and make a difference for a worthy cause!

What must I include about scleroderma in my essay? The topic of scleroderma must make up at least 50% of the information provided in each entry to be eligible for the contest. Students will be evaluated based on creativity & originality.

What Do I Win? One winner will be selected from each of the following grade categories 4-6; 7-9; 10-12 by May 21st, 2009 and given a special award certificate for their achievement. In addition, each winner will choose from **EITHER** hotel accommodations and registration for one adult and one child to the 2010 National Patient Education Conference in Boston, Mass., **OR** a choice of a new Wii system or new iPod (based on comparable value). Winners' names and paper topics will also be featured in both the Foundation's online and print publications!

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