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## Community Access National Network Unveils HIV Advocacy Scholarships

*In memoriam scholarships named after Thomas P. McCormick, Gary R. Rose, and the Honorable Maurice D. Hinchey, M.C.*

WASHINGTON, DC (February 15, 2018) – The Community Access National Network, otherwise known as CANN, today unveiled three advocacy scholarships named in memoriam after Thomas P. McCormick, Gary R. Rose, and the Honorable Maurice D. Hinchey, M.C. All three leaders passed away in 2017. The advocacy scholarships will focus on HIV/AIDS-related public policy issues.

William E. Arnold, CANN's President & CEO summarized the advocacy scholarships: "Tom was a long-time expert on the impact of the Medicaid program in promoting public health, and his service to CANN was immeasurable. Likewise, as founding board members, both Gary and Maurice left their lasting mark not only on our organization but on the fight against HIV/AIDS here at home, and abroad. These advocacy scholarships are CANN's way of ensuring that their collective legacy lives on."

- **The Thomas P. McCormick Advocacy Scholarship** will be awarded annually to an advocate dedicated to improving access to care and treatment under Medicaid.
- **The Gary R. Rose Advocacy Scholarship** will be awarded annually to an advocate dedicated to improving access to care and treatment under the Ryan White CARE Act.
- **The Honorable Maurice D. Hinchey Advocacy Scholarship** will be awarded annually to an advocated dedicated to improving access to care and treatment under national and global health programs.

The advocacy scholarships will allow advocates to attend specific HIV/AIDS-related educational events.

To learn more about the advocacy scholarships, or sign-up to receive timely updates please visit [http://tiicann.org/signup\\_listserv.html](http://tiicann.org/signup_listserv.html).

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***About the Community Access National Network:** The mission of the Community Access National Network (CANN) is to define, promote, and improve access to healthcare services and supports for people living with HIV/AIDS and/or Viral Hepatitis through advocacy, education, and networking. These services must be affordable to the people who need them regardless of insurance status, income, or geographic location.*