

**Special Topics in Botanical Research:
Request for Proposals for Goldenseal Sustainable Harvest Study**

Program Summary: The AHPA Foundation for Education and Research on Botanicals (AHPA Foundation) is issuing a request for proposals to award grant funding to eligible applicants in order to enhance and promote knowledge and understanding of sustainable harvest of goldenseal (*Hydrastis canadensis*). This document contains specific information about this funding opportunity. The grant supports research on goldenseal populations, root production, and effects of varying rates of harvest on plant population health and recovery across multiple growing sites in order to inform sustainable harvest and management decisions for the herb. The anticipated amount of funding available for a sustainable goldenseal harvest research project is up to \$10,000 annually for up to 5 years.

Proposals must describe how the project will develop new information related to harvest impact of goldenseal, defining clear objectives that this project will specifically address using well defined and sound methodology. Applications should specifically explain what will be done to achieve the project objectives, and how tangible, measurable results will be collected and reported. Applications should describe the outreach plan (i.e. reporting of results) with clear deliverables and realistic expectations for reaching target beneficiaries of the research. Proposals must include a timeline appropriate to the work and proposed outreach, describe applicant familiarity with related work, and include a sensible budget. Applications should describe the key people involved in the project and their relevant experience, including their commitment, expertise, and ability to see the work through to its conclusion. Refer to the AHPA Foundation [General Submission Guidelines for Research Grant Proposals](#) for specific instructions on proposal content and organization.

Special Topic: Goldenseal (*Hydrastis canadensis*) Sustainable Harvest Study

Submission Deadline: July 1, 2019

Submission Instructions: Completed proposals must be drafted in accordance with the [AHPA Foundation General Submission Guidelines for Research Grant Proposals](#) and submitted via email to the program contact below in the following format:

- MS Word documents are the accepted form for submissions, titled as: First initial and last name of principal investigator_Year_MonthDay (example: *DSmith_19_0526*).
- Email subject line should read: Goldenseal Sustainable Harvest Study Grant Proposal, Last Name of PI (example: *Goldenseal Sustainable Harvest Study Grant Proposal, Smith*)

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