

# Salix Announces 2021 Gastrointestinal Health Scholars Program

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LAVAL, QC, Feb. 18, 2021 /PRNewswire/ -- Bausch Health Companies Inc. (NYSE/TSX: BHC) ("Bausch Health") and its gastroenterology (GI) business, Salix Pharmaceuticals, ("Salix"), one of the largest specialty pharmaceutical companies in the world committed to the prevention and treatment of gastrointestinal diseases, today announced the opening of the application period for the 2021 Salix Gastrointestinal Health Scholars Program. The program, in its second year, will award 10 outstanding students living with GI disease a scholarship of up to \$10,000 to help them pursue their higher education goals.

"We're proud to continue the Salix Gastrointestinal Health Scholars Program to provide financial assistance to students who are balancing the challenges of living with GI disease while also pursuing their higher education goals, and we look forward to honoring 10 deserving students later this year," said Robert Spurr, president, Salix.

To apply for the 2021 scholarship, students are required to write an essay that describes the impact having a diagnosed GI condition has had on their life, as well as the role that a health care provider played in helping to manage their condition. Scholarships are offered to school applicants or current attendees of a two- or four-year college, university, or an advanced (post-high school) vocational or technical school for the 2021-2022 academic year, and are available in four categories:

- **Undergraduate Scholar Awards** for students pursuing undergraduate degrees
- **Graduate Scholar Awards** for students pursuing graduate degrees
- **Working Parent's Scholar Award** for students who are parents pursuing undergraduate, vocational/technical or graduate degrees
- **Single Parent's Scholar Award** for students who are single parents pursuing undergraduate, vocational/technical or graduate degrees

Students can apply for the Salix Gastrointestinal Health Scholars Program through May 31, 2021. Winners will be announced in July 2021. To learn more about the scholarship, including eligibility criteria, terms and conditions, please visit

[www.salix.com/scholarship](http://www.salix.com/scholarship)

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The Salix Gastrointestinal Health Scholars Program Scholarship program is funded through the Bausch Foundation.

## **About the Bausch Foundation**

The Bausch Foundation was established in 2017 to improve the lives of patients globally by providing access to safe, effective medicines and by financially supporting health care education and causes. Since its inception, the Bausch Foundation has contributed millions of dollars' worth of financial and product donations to charitable health organizations.

## **About Salix**

Salix Pharmaceuticals is one of the largest specialty pharmaceutical companies in the world committed to the prevention and treatment of gastrointestinal diseases. For more than 30 years,

Salix has licensed, developed, and marketed innovative products to improve patients' lives and arm health care providers with life-changing solutions for many chronic and debilitating conditions. Salix currently markets its product line to U.S. health care providers through an expanded sales force that focuses on gastroenterology, hepatology, pain specialists and primary care. Salix is headquartered in Bridgewater, New Jersey. For more information about Salix, visit [www.Salix.com](http://www.Salix.com)

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## **About Bausch Health**

Bausch Health Companies Inc. (NYSE/TSX: BHC) is a global company whose mission is to improve people's lives with our health care products. We develop, manufacture and market a range of pharmaceutical, medical device and over-the-counter products, primarily in the therapeutic areas of eye health, gastroenterology and dermatology. We are delivering on our commitments as we build an innovative company dedicated to advancing global health. More information can be found at

[www.bauschhealth.com](http://www.bauschhealth.com)

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