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## LAHP Awards Tulane Students \$5,000 Scholarships

*BATON ROUGE* – The Louisiana Association of Health Plans has awarded \$5,000 scholarships to two exceptional students at Tulane University who show great promise in futures with Louisiana’s health benefits industry. Jay Grisoli and Jeff DiDaniels, both graduate students earning their Masters Degree in Health Administration, were recognized as awardees of the LAHP Gil Dupré Graduate Student Scholarship at the association’s Annual Meeting and Recognition Dinner on November 30.

Both students demonstrated impressive achievements in both academic and professional health care organizations, and their community involvement has been admirable. Mr. DiDaniels currently serves as the Administrative Resident at Tulane Medical Center where he is getting hands-on with the complexities of health care management. He holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Richmond, where he majored in Biology in and minored in Business Administration. Mr. Grisoli credited his International Trade and Finance degree from Louisiana State University for giving him a better understanding of the notions of value and risk as fundamental concepts in providing health benefits to a community. His application showed an impressive understanding of the health benefits industry and a commitment to success.

This is the first time in the history of the LAHP Graduate Student Scholarship that two recipients were selected to receive the award. In 2011, scholarship eligibility was offered to a wider pool of graduate students when the program expanded to include students at a number of Louisiana schools.

LAHP established its scholarship in 2004 as a community service to promote careers in the health benefits industry. It is awarded annually to a Louisiana student who has demonstrated strong promise of leadership in the health care profession, along with significant community work. The LAHP scholarship is designated for students enrolled in their final year of an accredited graduate health care management program. The award was recently named for Gil Dupré, the association’s retiring chief executive officer.

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