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DAVID R. COX PRIZE FOR RARE COMPASSION

ESSAY CONTEST FOR MEDICAL STUDENTS

Global Genes™ is proud to partner with Student Advocates for Neglected Diseases (STAND) to present the third annual David R. Cox Prize for Rare Compassion, an essay contest that connects medical students with the rare disease community with the goal of developing understanding and compassion for the challenges and lifestyles that patients diagnosed with a rare disorder are faced with.

 **OVER 7,000**
RARE DISEASES IDENTIFIED

 **ON AVERAGE, IT
TAKES MOST RARE
DISEASE PATIENTS
8 YEARS TO RECEIVE AN
ACCURATE DIAGNOSIS**

5% 
**ONLY 5%
OF RARE DISEASES HAVE
AN FDA APPROVED DRUG**

This Essay Contest will require medical students to connect to and build a relationship with a patient or family affected by a rare disease. The essay submission will document their experience and interaction with their rare patient or family.

PRIZES:

FIRST	\$ 1,500
SECOND	\$ 1,000
THIRD	\$ 500

ELIGIBILITY AND CRITERIA

- Medical students in the 1st and 2nd year of study
- Attending medical school in the United States, Canada, or United Kingdom
- Relationship with rare disease family began after June 1, 2015



Essays must be submitted online beginning **JUNE 1st** and will close on **AUGUST 1, 2016**.
To learn more please visit <http://globalgenes.org/coxprize/>

