The Section on Statistics in Epidemiology (SIE) of the ASA invites applications from young investigators who will present their papers at the 2020 Joint Statistical Meetings, taking place August 1-6, 2020 in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The awards honor the best papers by young investigators in statistics in epidemiology presented at the JSM. The awards are open to all current graduate students in statistics, biostatistics, and epidemiology, and also recent graduates who received their degrees no earlier than December 31, 2017. The top paper will be awarded the Norman Breslow Prize with a \$1000 stipend. Additional awards consisting of \$800 to help defray travel costs to the JSM will also be awarded. A reception will be held at the Philadelphia meeting to honor award recipients.

Preference will be given to papers with both methodological contributions and substantive epidemiological applications. Jointly authored papers are certainly acceptable, but the applicant is expected to be the lead author and present the work at the 2020 JSM. The presentation at JSM may be in a regular session, speed session or poster session. Further, the presentation does not have to be in a session sponsored by the SIE Section nor must applicants necessarily be current members of the SIE Section. The presentation at JSM must, however, correspond to the paper receiving the award.

Papers should be submitted in .pdf format with 12-point type, double-spaced and one-inch margins. We strongly recommend that papers be no longer than 20 pages, but this is not an absolute maximum.

In order to apply for the award, please submit the paper no later than **December 15, 2019**. Early submissions are encouraged. Along with the paper include a cover letter stating where you are a current student or your year of graduation if you are a recent graduate.

Submissions should be sent to: **Nicole Carnegie**, <u>nicole.carnegie@montana.edu</u>, Section Secretary/Treasurer.