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ANA PAULA GONZALEZ LOPEZ SORIANO NAMED 2021 RECIPIENT OF THE BACHRACH FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP FOR EXCELLENCE IN HEALTHCARE ADMINISTRATION

WASHINGTON, D.C., May 6, 2021 – Ana Paula Gonzalez Lopez Soriano, a student in the Health Systems Management Master's Program at Rush University, Chicago, Illinois, has been named the 2021 recipient of the Bachrach Family Scholarship for Excellence in Healthcare Administration. Ms. Lopez Soriano will be formally recognized at AUPHA's Annual Awards Presentation held virtually next month.

The Bachrach Family Scholarship for Excellence in Healthcare Administration was established to create an endowed scholarship with the intent of creating a durable legacy to the education of students in areas and at institutions that contributed to the success of David and Linda Bachrach. The scholarship is available to students enrolled 'full-time' in a CAHME accredited residential graduate program in healthcare administration during their second year of the program of study. It recognizes their demonstrated successful academic performance as an undergraduate, as well as during their first year of graduate study, with preference to otherwise qualified students who are the first in their immediate family to pursue graduate-level education, qualified students who can demonstrate an economic need for such financial support, and/or qualified female applicants.

"We had many deserving and qualified applicants for the Bachrach Scholarship, which AUPHA is honored to administer," said R. Brooke Hollis, MBA, Professor of Practice, Sloan Program in Health Administration and Cornel Institute for Healthy Futures. "While it is always difficult to choose just one, the committee felt that Ana Paula with her personal experiences as a pediatric patient, her combination of perspectives including international training and work experience in biomedical engineering, coupled with her academic success and her leadership role in her healthcare management program all came together to make her an outstanding choice."

"Thank you to the Bachrach Family and AUPHA for awarding me this scholarship," said Ms. Gonzalez Lopez Soriano. "My experience as a pediatric scoliosis patient and a Mexican Biomedical Engineer has greatly shaped the way I approach healthcare improvement and patient advocacy, and this scholarship will allow me to continue to push the boundaries of healthcare excellence."

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