



Dear Recommender,

Thank you for agreeing to support an applicant to the SHE in Oncology program at the University of Chicago. SHE is a virtual, multi-institutional program for high school students interested in science and medicine. Its mission is to empower individuals who identify as women and otherwise underrepresented in the sciences to enter biomedical career pathways, specifically within the field of cancer. Over the course of two weeks, SHE trainees collaborate on a genetics-based research project, and a patient case study project, to explore key facets of cancer science and care. Trainees also participate in daily faculty lectures, panel discussions, and skill-building workshops to acquire knowledge and networks for their next steps on biomedical career pathways.

SHE in Oncology is funded by the American Cancer Society. More information about the program can be found at www.uchicagomedicine.org/SHE.

Admission to SHE is competitive. No more than 20 participants will be enrolled through the University of Chicago. Successful applicants demonstrate a passion for science, an interest in careers in biomedicine, and the maturity and drive to perform in an intensive virtual setting.

Please tell us why your applicant is right for SHE in Oncology by completing the online recommendation form, accessible here: https://redcap.link/SHE_rec_2024. Be prepared to provide your name and contact information, a description of your relationship to the applicant (i.e., your qualifications as a recommender), and responses to the following questions:

- What do you feel the applicant has most to gain from a program of this kind?
- What qualities have you observed in the applicant that suggest they are prepared to meet the demands of a fast-paced career exploration program?
- What else is important for us to know about the applicant?

For full consideration, recommendations should be submitted by **11:59 p.m. CST on Monday, March 4, 2024**. Please direct all questions to SHE@bsd.uchicago.edu or call 773-702-9699. We look forward to hearing from you!