



Project Foresight Results Announced

Walmart and Sam's Club Health & Wellness is excited to announce the results of our annual Optometry Scholarship competition, **Project Foresight!** Project Foresight is a national student competition, which highlights the vision of Walmart and Sam's Club Health and Wellness to provide quality, affordable, and accessible healthcare for everyone. Student teams were asked to research and present on how Walmart partners with Doctors of Optometry and how they envision that partnership moving forward. Students learned about the basic beliefs of which Walmart was built upon: respect for the individual, service to our customers, striving for excellence and acting with integrity.

Project Foresight is open to all ASCO member optometry students enrolled in their first, second, or third year of school during the academic year of the competition. 68 students created their own two-member teams and showcased their findings initially by answering a questionnaire. From the questionnaires, regional winning teams were selected to advance to a live competition where they created a presentation to illustrate their findings to a panel of judges. From these live competitions, nine winning teams advanced to the final round of the competition.

Each team that advanced received a team scholarship of \$1,500 in addition to a \$1,500 team travel grant to attend and compete in the National Project Foresight Scholarship Competition at Optometry's Meeting in Denver, CO. The final event for the competition took place at the annual Walmart and Sam's Club Project Foresight Dessert Reception where the First Place team (Janelle Sventek and Verle Judd from the University of the Incarnate Word, Rosenberg School of Optometry) was announced and presented a \$15,000 team scholarship and traveling trophy to be kept at the winning team's school for the following year. The National Runner-Up Team (Carrie DeWolfe and Katie Cargill from the Michigan College of Optometry at Ferris State University) was awarded a \$5,000 team scholarship.

We look forward to the 2018-2019 Project Foresight National Competition!