Building on the success of last year’s Hoosier Women at Work conference, the Indiana Historical Bureau and the Indiana State Library will host “Hoosier Woman at Work in Science, Technology, and Medicine,” a women’s history symposium, on April 1, 2017, at the Indiana State Library and Historical Building in downtown Indianapolis.

This one-day conference will explore and expand our knowledge of women’s contributions to Indiana’s science, technology, and medical fields via speakers, presentations, and panel discussions. Possible topics include: inventors/inventions; medical breakthroughs; agriculture and technology; public health; sanitation; exposure to hazardous materials in the workplace; access to medical care; hospitals; women’s access to training and employment in any of these fields; and the impact of science, technology, and medicine on complicating or improving women’s lives. Conference papers (approximately 10 pages) may be based on original research or a synthesis of scholarship. Sessions will consist of two or three papers with time for audience discussion.

To submit an individual proposal, send a one-page explanation of your paper and a one-page c.v. Panel proposals should include a one-page description of the panel which specifies the topic each participant will discuss and a one-page c.v. per participant. Academic, public, and independent historians, as well as graduate students, are eligible to present papers. All presenters must be present at the conference. The deadline for submitting paper and/or session proposals is December 1, 2016. E-mail submissions to dpfaaf@history.IN.gov are encouraged and will be accepted until the deadline.

For more information, call the Indiana Historical Bureau at 317-232-2535 or visit in.gov/history/hoosierwomenatwork.htm

A $500 prize will be awarded for the best original scholarship offered by a presenter currently enrolled in a graduate program.