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AUSTRALASIAN TRAUMA SOCIETY (INC) TRAVELLING FELLOWSHIP / SCHOLARSHIP

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AIMS

To provide an opportunity for an interested medical, nursing, allied health or paramedical clinician to gain information and knowledge in current trauma care and delivery of clinical care in trauma systems in a targeted area of interest.

To promote quality trauma clinical care by providing exposure to the systems approach to trauma in organisations outside of their usual place of practice.

To further the development of the care of injured patients through knowledge, research and education in trauma management.

Suggested use of scholarship funds include a program of observership at one or more trauma centres to observe specific facets of care, attendance at a national or international trauma conference or a position in a formal trauma training course/workshop that will assist in skill development for translation into local practice. Other written submissions will be considered as long as they address one or more of the specific aims listed above.

AVAILABILITY

Each year, the Australasian Trauma Society Executive Committee will discuss and make recommendations regarding the availability of scholarship funds.

The Scholarship will be advertised within the usual ATS channels alongside promotion and advertisement at annual conferences. Details can also be found on the ATS website. Further details and important dates for applicants will be circulated with any calls for submissions.

Scholarship funds will be allocated by the ATS based on the availability of Society financial resources, the number and significance of scholarship applications and their rationale and feasibility. Up to four scholarships may be offered in each

funding round. The maximum amount for any one scholarship will be \$5000. The amount awarded must cover only budgeted expenses directly incurred in the conduct of the approved activity, and will require reconciliation with receipts at the completion of the scholarship period. No portion of the scholarship funds are to be used for personal income.

Decision of the selection panel is final and no correspondence will be entered into.

ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- i. Financial member of Australasian Trauma Society at the time of the application and for more than 2 years immediately prior to the application.**

APPLICATION

1. A detailed description including
 - a. Summary and overview of the scholarship aims (100 words)
 - b. Objectives and expected outcomes of the scholarship, including (for example) any publications, lectures, guidelines or educational courses you expect to result from the activity.
 - c. Anticipated starting date and timeline including any significant milestones
 - d. A detailed description of the program which includes: where you will go; what you hope to experience; who you will meet with; clinical or research work you plan to undertake; areas of clinical need you wish to focus on and any other relevant information
2. A detailed budget and expenses (flights, accommodation, food, equipment, ground travel, miscellaneous etc.) including total funds requested and any previous funds accessed for this project
3. Current CV
4. **Two referees (including contact details) who must provide a supporting statement (500 words max) as to how this project will contribute to the applicants professional development and the improvement of trauma care. In the case of an attachment to another trauma unit, typically one of these referees would be from the unit in which the attachment is proposed to take place, outlining the opportunities on offer.**

OBLIGATIONS OF SCHOLARSHIP RECEIPIENTS

Recipients would be expected to complete their scholarship within 12 months of award.

A short abstract (1000 words) detailing the experience and outcomes will be required within 2 weeks of completion for publication in the Australasian Trauma Society publication (Trauma Talk)

A final report must be completed (based on the proforma attached) and submitted within 3 months of the scheduled completion date to the ATS. Any applications for extensions to completion date must be submitted in writing to the ATS.

A detailed presentation based on the final report will be scheduled at a nominated ATS Conference.

MORE INFORMATION

For more information, please go to the ATS website (traumasociety.com.au) or contact the ATS Secretariat (+61 2 94318668 or ats@theassociationsoftraumalogicians.com.au)

FINAL REPORT (THIS MAY BE USED AS A TEMPLATE)

Name of applicant
Scholarship description Brief description (including objectives and outcomes) as stated in your original application
Scholarship changes Provide a brief description of any changes made and reasons for these
Results Provide a brief subjective assessment of how the scholarship has progressed against the aims provided in your application
Future plans What future plans do you have based on the completed scholarship? E.g. changes to practice, development of clinical program, further education and research opportunities, changes in policy etc.
Scholarship Impact Do you believe the scholarship will have long term impacts? Outline how you see these developing further including your role in these
Detailed Budget breakdown Please provide a detailed budget inventory of the total funds awarded

SUGGESTED APPLICATION SCORING TEMPLATE

General Criteria	Specific criteria	Detailed description	Marks allocated
Scholarship Application	Significance and innovation	<p>Improvements in the care of trauma patients</p> <p>Described exploration of new approaches or area of clinical need</p> <p>Will enhance the participants understanding of trauma care</p> <p>High impact with direct relevance to individuals clinical practice</p>	/10
	Methodical merit	<p>Clarity in scholarship aims</p> <p>Appropriateness of described aims and objectives</p> <p>Rigor and feasibility of planned scholarship program</p> <p>Likelihood of outcomes being of quality</p>	/10
Applicant	Development of applicant through scholarship	Ability, plan and commitment of applicants and referees to facilitate the development of the skills/scholarship program	/5
	Previous achievement relative to opportunity	Is this application fitting with the career standing and progression of applicants trauma understanding	/5