

#### The Plastic Surgery Foundation Clinical Research Leaders Scholarship

#### **Application Information and Instructions**

The Plastic Surgery Foundation is currently accepting applications for its Clinical Research Leaders Scholarship. Applications are due December 1, 2020.

The purpose of this program is to:

- Enhance the training of ASPS members in clinical research to better prepare them to lead the ASPS and the specialty
- Too build an expert workforce with networks of colleagues in their fields of interest who are prepared to successfully compete for grants and who can capably lead ASPS/PSF research initiatives.

This grant provides funding to support the participation of talented, motivated plastic surgeon-scientists to attend select clinical research training and development programs around the country in order to enhance their skills in outcomes/translational/clinical research. Up to four applicants will be awarded each year to attend the conferences that best meet the goals of the program.

Applicants will identify and propose opportunities that best meet program goals and are most relevant to their career goals and interests. Each awardee will receive up to \$2,500 to defray the costs of registration and travel expenses. Applicants are required to include a budget for the total amount that outlines estimated costs for tuition, travel and per diem for lodging. Following are some examples of topics/content that would be relevant for this program:

- How and when to use patient reported outcomes
- Creating new reporting mechanisms
- Design and implementation of clinical trials
- Creating a fundable clinical trial
- Statistical concepts of a trial
- Design of qualitative, quantitative, observational, and mixed methods studies
- R and K award proposal writing
- Career development
- Personalized consultations with experts to review attendees specific research ideas & projects

# **Applicant Eligibility Criteria**

Applicants must be an active U.S. ASPS member or Candidate member, or plastic surgery resident or fellow affiliated with an accredited plastic surgery program.

# **Applicant Requirements**

Application items requested are as follows:

- PSF Clinical Research Leaders Scholarship Application
- CV
- Letter(s) of support from the applicant's Department/Division Chair, etc.

# **Selection of Awardees:**

The Selection Committee will consist of the Chair of the Researcher Education Subcommittee, the Chair of the Clinical Trials Network Subcommittee and the ASPS/PSF Board Vice President of Research.

Selection will be determined based on the following:

- Congruence of career goals and conferences, evidenced by grant awards and publication record
- Clear track record of commitment to their field of study and ASPS/PSF
- Good standing in their home institution

#### **Mailing Procedure**

One complete application package containing one original of all items listed above must be received by The Plastic Surgery Foundation or sent via e-mail as one PDF attachment:

Attention:

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Applications missing any of the above items will not be considered.