



APGO Medical Education Endowment Fund Grant Program Request for Proposals 2011

Strict Proposal Deadline May 2, 2011 at 5:00 pm

PROJECT PURPOSE:

The Association of Professors of Gynecology and Obstetrics (APGO) Medical Education Endowment Fund Grant Program was established in 2009 as a new initiative of the association. This program provides financial support to stimulate research and innovations in health science education. Small grants (up to \$15,000 per project) will be made to APGO members in good standing who submit a written proposal and budget for a project that strives to improve women's health education by innovative approaches. Projects demonstrating a direct, measurable, positive impact on medical student education will be most competitive for the award.

For 2011, the projects must focus on "*advancing women's health through education*" in one of the following areas:

- Patient Safety/Quality Improvement
- Leadership and Advocacy
- Underserved or Global Health

A successful application will be based upon merit with the intention to be responsible to the needs of a given program. The projects with the greatest potential of producing measured improvement in the quality of education will be most competitive for award funds.

PROPOSAL DOCUMENTATION: *All proposals should be no more than 5 pages (plus the title page) and submitted in an electronic format to the APGO office no later than 5:00 pm on May 2, 2011.*

The proposal must include the following:

- Page 1: Title page including principal investigator and collaborators and name of school/department
- Page 2: Abstract of no more than 250 words
- Page 3: Itemized budget and budget justification

- Pages 4-6: Body of the proposal should include:
- Goals and objectives
 - Statement of need/rationale for project
 - Project description
 - Proposed final product
 - Evaluation of outcomes
 - Personnel involved, including primary contact
 - Timeline, tasks, and individuals responsible for tasks

Attachments (not included in 5 page limit) must include:

- Letters of support from department chair
- Short biographical sketch of the principal investigator and major collaborators using NIH format

NOTIFICATION OF AWARDS: The candidates can expect to be notified about the action taken on their application by July 30, 2011.

AWARD AMOUNTS: Proposals for funding may be up to \$15,000, and will be awarded to the most competitive proposals as judged by peer review process.

WRITTEN REPORT AND PRESENTATION:

Reporting Requirements

The recipient must furnish APGO with one hard copy and one electronic copy of a six-month progress report and a final report on the results of the project no later than July 15 of the year in which the project is completed. APGO reserves the right to cancel the award and expect a return of the grant funds if the project is not completed within two years of the start date.

The final report should include the project title, the institution where it was conducted, and a narrative of no more than five pages discussing the project objectives, the work done, the final outcome and a final budget. All unused grant funds must be returned to APGO upon completion of the project. The report should discuss the applicability of this project to other educators and institutions. Appropriate figures and tables may be appended. Please send the electronic copy of the final report to APGO Executive Director, Donna Wachter at dwachter@apgo.org.

The recipient should be prepared to present the project outcome at the annual meeting of the Association of Professors of Gynecology and Obstetrics in the year following the completion of the work. The recipient must also submit an abstract for the CREOG & APGO Annual Meeting, through the normal abstract submission process, within two years of receipt of the award.

Any publications or products resulting from projects funded by the APGO Medical Education Fund are considered works-made-for-hire, all legal rights to which, including without-limitation copyright, are owned solely by the APGO Medical Education Endowment Fund. This agreement allows the APGO Medical Education Endowment Fund to freely distribute all such work products to its members to further education in obstetrics and gynecology. If the award results in durable educational materials, the materials must be made available to APGO administration for distribution to its members and institutions at its discretion. Furthermore, these materials must be provided to APGO on a software program or platform that can be accessed by APGO administration. All works must acknowledge the support of the APGO Medical Education Endowment Fund.

PUBLICATIONS:

Scholarship as the result of this project will be useful in promoting the professional development of awardees. Scholarship is a public act and there are many existing and emerging journals focused on medical education to which faculty can submit their work for publication. These include the Educational Researcher (ER), American Educational Research Journal (AERJ), Educational Review, the Journal of Research on Technology Education (JRTE), Learning & Leading with Technology, Academic Medicine, Journal of Dental Education, and Medical Teacher. Electronic publication opportunities include MedEdPORTAL of the AAMC.

ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION PROCESS:

Only applications submitted electronically will be accepted for consideration for the APGO Medical Education Endowment Fund Grant Program. Submit the application packet electronically by May 2, 2011, with the following information in the email header:

TO: apgoadmin@apgo.org
SUBJECT LINE: APGO MEDICAL EDUCATION ENDOWMENT FUND GRANT PROGRAM

Association of Professors of Gynecology and Obstetrics (APGO)

MISSION

APGO promotes excellence in women's health care by providing optimal resources and support to educators who inspire, instruct, develop and empower women's health care providers of tomorrow.

CORE VALUES

Commitment to teachers and teaching
Passion for excellence in women's health care education
Collaboration among professionals
Innovation in educational tools and techniques

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Maintaining the following six core competencies: Professionalism; Interpersonal skills; Practice-based learning and improvement; Systems-based practice; Medical knowledge; and Patient care

CORE PURPOSE

To globally improve women's health through education

APGO Endowment Award Selection Task

The Endowment Award Selection Task Force will review each of the applications received for this award. The task force is comprised of the following members:

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