

Missouri Society for Respiratory Professional Education Grant

This award has been established by the MSRC to further the educational opportunities for the working respiratory care practitioner. Award money may be used for any educational program offered to the RCP, such as those listed below (other programs may be considered on a case by case basis and must be approved by the committee chair).

- Accredited CRCE
- Educational seminars
 - Travel to educational seminars/conferences may be considered
- Advanced degrees (BS, MS, PhD)
- Credentialing preparation course and examinations (RRT, CPFT, RPFT, NPS, SDS, RPSGT, AE-C)

Eligibility

In order to be eligible for participation in the Professional Education Grant competition, the applicant must be:

- A practicing, credentialed respiratory care practitioner currently licensed in the state of Missouri
- In good standing at the applicant's place of employment
- An active member of MSRC/AARC

Submissions

MSRC welcomes original abstracts related to the science and technology of respiratory care. Abstracts should be an evaluation of a method, device or protocol, an original study or a case study. Abstracts will be de-identified and evaluated on merit. The winning submission will also require presentation of the abstract in poster format at the MSRC Annual Conference (typically occurs in April of each year at Tan-Tar-A resort in Lake Ozark, Missouri). Posters are presented/displays in the vendor hall.

Applications are accepted year round though April 1.

Guidelines for Authors

Abstracts that do not follow the guidelines below will not be reviewed:

- Abstracts must be written and presented in English.
- The abstract should not have been presented previously at a national or international meeting, and may not have been published previously.

- The first line of the abstract should be the title. The title should explain content and contain no abbreviations. Do not include authors within the title
- Follow the title with the names and credentials of each author, and primary employer and location of each author.
- Abstracts may have 1 clear, concise table or figure.
- Standard abbreviations may be employed in the text of the abstract without explanation.
- Total word count for the abstract may not exceed 2500 characters (this does not include the title or authors)

Abstract Specifications

Abstracts should fall into one of the following categories and meet the criteria associated with that category:

Abstracts of Original Studies (including evaluation of a method, device or protocol):

- **Background:** A statement of the research question, or hypothesis, and the rationale supporting this.
- **Method:** Description of the research design in sufficient detail to permit judgment of its validity. Must include a statement of the statistical test used (if applicable). Studies involving human subjects must include a statement that the institutional review board (IRB) approval was obtained.
- **Results:** Research findings with data and statistical analysis.
- **Conclusions:** Interpretation of the results.
- **Disclosures:** All authors' relations with industry for the previous 2 years must be disclosed (consulting work, speaker's fees, etc.)

Abstracts of Case Reports (must report a clinical case that is uncommon or a new/improved method of management and treatment):

- **Introduction:** Relevant basic information important to the understanding of the case.
- **Case summary:** Patient data and response, details of interventions.
- **Discussion:** Content should relate results to what is already known in the literature.
- **Disclosures:** All authors' relations with industry for the previous 2 years must be disclosed (consulting work, speaker's fees, etc.)
- **Note:** The author(s) must have been actively involved in the case, and a case managing physician must co-author or approve the report.

Awards

- The PEG carries a maximum award of \$1,000.00. One recipient will be selected each year.
 - Recipients must use the award money by July 31st of the year following their selection. Any dollar amount not used by this deadline will expire and no longer be available to the recipient. Example: The 2017 PEG recipient must use the award dollars no later than July 31st, 2018.

- The recipient of the award is required to submit the abstract to the Open Forum at the AARC International Congress. If the abstract is accepted, conference/travel fees will be paid by the MSRC (up to \$1500).
- Registration fees for the MSRC annual meeting are waived for PEG recipients.
- Applicants will be notified of the status of their submission in mid-April.
- Once the applicant submits an abstract to the committee, the MSRC has the right reprint the abstract (in part or in whole) in any official publications of the Society.

Poster Presentation

The recipient of the Professional Education Grant will be requested to submit a poster presentation for display/presentation at the MSRC Annual Conference. The poster should meet requirements as put forth by the Respiratory Care Journal Open Forum Poster Presentation Guidelines.

- Guidelines: http://rc.rcjournal.com/site/open_forum/PosterGuidelines.pdf
- Example Poster: http://rc.rcjournal.com/site/open_forum/PosterTemplate.ppt

Submit all applications, in word document format to the Education Committee Chair:

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