2020 Mentorship Grant Awards

Deadline for Submission is May 1, 2020

MENTORSHIP GRANT PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES

- Promote career development within the field of pediatric dermatology
- Cultivate mentorships between established pediatric dermatologists and residents/fellows/junior faculty who have chosen to pursue a career in pediatric dermatology

ELIGIBILITY

1. Applicants must be members of the Society for Pediatric Dermatology.

2. Applicants must be in a ACGME-approved Dermatology training program, American Board of Dermatology (ABD) approved Pediatric Dermatology fellowship or junior faculty member in Dermatology (fewer than or equal to 5 years out of an ACGME approved residency training program in Dermatology). Medical students from an accredited program may apply for the Medical Student Mentorship Award.

3. Applicants are to submit a proposal that has been approved by the potential mentor that involves working directly with the mentor at their site. The projects should focus on the development of a particular expertise that is not available at the trainee's institution and should relate directly to the care of children with skin disease. Examples of such projects include; initiation of research collaborations, implementation of clinical based technologies and the development of multidisciplinary clinics, (e.g. epidermolysis bullosa, or genodermatoses). The duration of the project at the mentor's site should be between 2 to 4 weeks. It is essential that institutional compatibility program requirements be detailed prior to the submission of the proposal. For example, if the proposal involves direct patient care, details relating to malpractice coverage must be approved by the graduate medical education office of the hosting institution and must be arranged prior to the submission of the proposal.

4. A list of SPD members who have expressed their desire to participate in this program as mentors (as well as their area of expertise or research interest) is available by contacting the SPD. Any active member of the SPD in good standing can serve as a mentor if they choose to accept a trainee.

5. Mentors may accept no more than **one** trainee from this program during a funding cycle (July 1 through June 30).

APPLICATION AND PROGRAM DETAILS

APPLICATION DEADLINE: May 1, 2020

Awards cover travel expenses, accommodations and related costs while working with a specific mentor. The grants are **not** to fund research projects for which other potential avenues of funding are available. Applicants should submit a single, collated PDF file that includes each of the following items in the order in which they are requested below. Paper applications will not be accepted.

1) A completed Mentorship Grant Application form. Please download this file onto your computer before typing in and saving the requested information (the sheet is a fillable pdf).
2) A mentorship proposal (outlined in section 3 on page 1)
3) A detailed budget

Please send one (1) copy of a completed application and attachments electronically to:

Society for Pediatric Dermatology
8365 Keystone Crossing, Suite 107
Indianapolis, IN 46240
info@pedsderm.net

GRANT AMOUNT

The maximum individual grant amount to be awarded is $4,000.

PROPOSAL REVIEW AND ANNOUNCEMENT

Proposals will be reviewed by the Awards & Grants Committee. All applicants will be informed in June 2020 as to whether their proposal will be funded. SPD will make a formal announcement of Mentorship Award Grant recipients at the SPD 2020 Annual Meeting (July 9-12 in Asheville, NC).

COMPLETION OF MENTORSHIP "EXPERIENCE"

All Mentorship rotations must be completed within one (1) year receiving the grant (expected completion no later than June 30, 2021).

EVALUATION

A brief summary that has been signed off on by the mentor will be sent to the SPD from the trainee within 6 weeks after the completion of the program.

QUESTIONS

If you have any questions, please contact SPD at (317) 202-0224 or by email at info@pedsderm.net or you may contact Lucia Diaz, MD, Mentorship Committee Chair, at lucia_diaz13@yahoo.com.