

Hematology Trainee Education or Quality Improvement Award

The Hematology Trainee Education or Quality Improvement Award is a research award that was initially developed by the Canadian Hematology Educators Committee in 2011 in order to support education-based research by Canadian hematology trainees. In 2013, the award was expanded to include research projects on Quality Improvement as well.

Canadian trainees interested in hematology are eligible to submit an application for this award. This year we will be accepting applications from Canadian medical students, internal medicine residents (PGY1-PGY5), hematology residents (PGY4-5) and hematology fellows (PGY6+). A panel of hematology program directors review the applications, and the two trainees with the highest rated projects each receive a \$2000 award which is intended to be used for the support of their individual research projects. Funding for this award is provided, in part, by the Canadian Hematology Society.

The recipients of the awards are expected to give a brief presentation of their work at the following summer's Jerry Scott Educational Half Day, which is held during our annual Hematology Residents Retreat. The presentations given by the winners from the past few years have been very well received by the audience.

Submitted projects are rated according to several areas, including:

1. Project (75%)
 - Clarity, originality, rigor, and feasibility of proposal
 - Candidate's contribution to project
 - Potential contribution to existing knowledge or educational research
2. Candidate (15%)
 - Experience - education, research, project related skills
 - Evidence of leadership and initiative
 - Previous examples of successful completion of projects
3. Supervisor (10%)
 - Letter of reference
 - Previous mentoring experience
 - Expertise

If you are interested in applying for this award, please submit the following:

1. A completed application form
2. Applicant's CV
3. A brief letter of support from your research supervisor
4. An abbreviated form of your supervisor's CV, particularly focusing on their previous resident research supervision
5. A research proposal (description of your research project; 3 pages maximum)
6. A budget for your project

Applications are due by January 15, 2018

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