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AACPDM OrthoPediatrics® Travel Scholarship Information

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The OrthoPediatrics® Travel Scholarships to the AACPDM Annual Meeting are designed to allow selected AACPDM fellow and student members to attend our annual meeting who otherwise would not be able to attend. Scholarships are awarded to: Residents/Fellows in training, physicians in their first year of practice, and allied health professionals (nurses, physical, occupational, speech, and recreational therapists) who are at any point in their career.

Eligibility Requirements

- Applicants must be current members or applicants of the AACPDM. They will need to be a member, or [apply for membership](#), before they are able to access the online form.
- Applicants must be working in the field of treating patients with cerebral palsy and other childhood onset disabilities, but need not hold a doctoral level degree.
- Applicants must not have received an OrthoPediatrics® Travel Scholarship in 2015 – 2019, or 2022 or 2023. If eligible, applicants may also apply for the Student Travel Scholarship and/or the International Travel Scholarship but can only be awarded one.

Scholarship Content

- Complimentary registration to the annual meeting
- Valuable networking opportunities
- Opportunity to learn from multi-disciplinary experts in the field of childhood-onset disabilities
- Historically, reimbursement for travel, lodging and meals has not exceeded \$1,500 for this scholarship.

Application Submission Process

Before completing the application, please read the instructions carefully. Do not skip any questions. Inquiries about this application may be addressed to the Academy office at info@aacpdm.org. AACPDM must receive the completed application **on or before April 1, 2024**. As part of the online application process, you will be required to include information about the following areas:

- Number of years in practice (surgeons, nurses, physical, occupational, speech and recreational therapists) or training dates and type of program (residents/fellows in training)
- An explanation of your need for a scholarship (including an estimate of the exact financial need)
- The amount of time spent in a clinical, academic and research setting
- Your role in treating patients with cerebral palsy and other childhood-onset disabilities and the ability to implement knowledge obtained into current practice and disseminate it across a wide spectrum of individuals



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- Applicants will need a recommendation survey completed by their program director or supervisor.
- **CONDITIONAL:** If applicable, you are asked to include a copy of the abstract(s) that you submitted to the annual meeting with your scholarship application.

Selection Criteria

The AACPDm Membership Committee will review the applications and award scholarships to surgical resident/trainees and to non-surgical practitioners, based on the following criteria:

- Preference will be given to scholarship applicants whose abstracts have been accepted
- Applications received by April 1, 2024, will be checked for completeness. A recommendation survey must have been completed by the applicant's program director or supervisor
- Applications will be reviewed, discussed and scored by all Membership Committee members. A letter notifying applicants of the committee's final decision will be sent from the Academy office by the end of May.

Criteria used in selection of applicants include, but are not limited to the following:

- Academic and clinical strengths and interests
- Ability to implement knowledge
- Financial need
- Completion of recommendation survey
- Submission/acceptance of abstract