

SOCIETY OF TRANSPLANT SOCIAL WORKERS

RESEARCH GRANT GUIDELINES

Society of Transplant Social Workers (STSW) supports active members in research efforts to further knowledge of psychosocial issues in organ transplantation and Mechanical-Circulatory Support (MCS)

Eligibility:

1. Active STSW membership
2. Written approval from department head to conduct research
3. Complete the online grant application and upload supporting documents including survey, consent, and budget

Requirements of the grant recipient:

1. Provide STSW Research Co-Chairs a copy of IRB approval prior to receipt of grant funding.
2. Submit a financial update annually from date of grant approval: Year 1, Year 2
3. Acknowledge STSW as the funding entity when presenting information related to this research project
4. Present at the STSW conference within three years after grant approval
5. Submit a manuscript to a transplant, social work or medical journal based on the results of the research project within 3 years after grant approval

Funding Information:

1. Availability of Funds

One or more grants will be awarded depending on the availability of funds from the STSW budget. The maximum grant will be up to \$10,000 and the amount approved will be dependent on the proposal and budget submitted. Once approved, the grant will be distributed in two installments – at the time of STSW confirmation of IRB approval and at Year 1. A lump sum installment can be requested of the Research committee with justification. Applicants must disclose other funding sources at time of application.

2. Allowable Expenses

- a. Consultant fees: Not to exceed 25% of the grand amount. Submit justification for the use of a consultant and their CV.
- b. Support Services: Research assistants, statisticians, and all who assist in the collection and manipulation of data and meeting the research objectives may be compensated. Provide a list of support staff and their role
- c. Supplies: Office supplies or other costs related to the conduct of the proposed research. The grant will not pay for large office equipment such as computers
- d. Incentive payments: With IRB approval, the use of incentive payments to subjects may be allowed
- e. Other: The grantee may decide to designate funds within their budget to pay STSW registration fees for the conference where they present their research findings.

3. Duration

The funding period is two years from the date of STSW confirmation of IRB approval. Any funds that are not utilized within those two years are to be returned to the STSW treasurer.

4. Payment of Funds

Grantee will coordinate payment of funds with STSW treasurer

Review of Application and Awards:

Funding applications will be reviewed by the STSW Research Committee Co-Chairs for eligibility and research design on a rolling basis. Final approval for each funding request will be given from the STSW Executive Board.