

Guidelines for Professional Medical Education Grant Applications

Organizations eligible to request Professional Medical Education Grants

- Non-profit sponsoring organizations
- Academic medical institutions
- Hospitals
- Professional medical societies and associations
- Accredited CME providers

Please note: This application must be submitted directly by the Applicant Organization. Professional Medical Education Grants will not be provided to an individual or a private practice.

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- Funding for faculty expenses (i.e. honoraria, travel, and lodging) is reportable under the Federal Open Payments (“Sunshine”) law (42 C.F.R.403.900). Applicants who use Acumed grants for faculty expenses must report faculty names along with the faculty individual’s value transfer to Acumed upon reconciliation of faculty expenses.
- All applications must be submitted at least 60 days before the program begins. Applications submitted less than 60 days in advance may not be considered.
- Professional Medical Education Grants must support educational activities that involve a scientific exchange of information with a medical focus on one of Acumed’s therapeutic areas. (See www.acumed.net for an overview of Acumed’s therapeutic areas.)
- Both accredited and non-accredited educational activity applications will be considered.
- Submission of a grant application guarantees neither approval of the request nor support for the entire amount requested.
- Approval of a Professional Medical Education Grant in the past does not guarantee approval in the future. Acumed may decide to fund different programs, activities, and events.
- Professional Medical Education Grants are provided without condition of product use or contingent upon any commitment to purchase, use, or recommend the use of Acumed products.

Professional Medical Education Grants will NOT be provided to support the following costs:

- Research proposals. If interested in requesting funds for a research proposal, please visit our [Collaborative Research Opportunities](#) page.
- Meal costs for any program including CME or non-CME, as a result of Federal Open Payments (“Sunshine”) law (42 C.F.R.403.900).
- Ordinary operating expenses of the sponsoring organization and other budget items not directly related to the education.
- Normal organizational overhead: purchase of capital equipment, software, staff training, etc.
- Travel and lodging expenses or registration fees for an attendee (non-faculty member) at educational programs, conferences, or society meetings. As an exception, travel and lodging expenses or registration fees may be requested for attendees who are fellows, residents, or medical students, if the grant application is submitted by the sponsoring organization of the program or the academic medical institution of the fellows, residents, or medical students.
- Reimbursement to health care professionals or other attendees for the cost of obtaining CME credits.

- Receptions, dinners, awards, gifts, examinations, recreational or entertainment activities, and costs associated with the attendance of spouses and other guests who do not have a bona fide professional interest in the medical education event.
- Exhibits spaces, display fees, or other forms of advertisement.

Professional Medical Education Grants cannot be used for the following:

- Promotion of off-label use of a product.
- Educational courses that focus on practice management or business topics.
- Promotional activities (promotion of specific products or company).
- Support of programs that have already taken place.

Acumed Educational Grants are provided in accordance with the Guidance Document on the Promotion of FDA-Regulated Products and the Dissemination of Scientific Information, and with the FDA Guidance on Industry-Supported Scientific and Educational Activities, the ACCME Standards for Commercial Support ("ACCME Standards"), the AMA Ethical Guidelines for Gifts to Physicians from Industry ("AMA Guidelines"), the AdvaMed Code of Ethics for Interactions with Health Care Professionals ("AdvaMed Code"), and/or other relevant industry standards.

The Physician Payment Sunshine Act (42 C.F.R.403.900) requires medical device manufacturers to report annually to the United States federal government payments and transfers of value made to United States physicians and teaching hospitals. This could include Acumed educational grants.