

Department of Medicine, McMaster University
DIVISION OF GERIATRIC MEDICINE & ST. PETER'S /MCMASTER
UNIVERSITY, CHAIR OF AGING, "DR. CHRISTOPHER PATTERSON
RESIDENT RESEARCH GRANT IN SENIORS' CARE"

The Dr. C. Patterson Resident Research Grant in Senior's Care serves to foster interest and enhance care of frail seniors with the goal of reducing the gap between evidence based practices and current care of our aging population through research on quality improvement within our health services system. In addition this grant will promote the development of clinical and research expertise and leadership within the field of geriatrics.

This grant will support postgraduate trainees in the core Internal Medicine Program at McMaster University to pursue original research aimed at improving seniors' care. It will give residents early exposure to and practical experience with the grant application process: completing an application form, developing a research proposal, and formulating a budget proposal with justification of expenses.

Terms of Reference

1. This grant is intended to benefit residents as scholars in geriatric medicine and may only be used to support resident research projects. However, the research may involve other groups of health professionals and health professional students.
2. Postgraduate trainees in the core Internal Medicine Residency Training Program (PGY1-3) are eligible for this grant.
2. A full-time faculty member at McMaster University must serve as the supervisor of the project. A supporting letter from the supervisor must outline the role of the resident in the initiation, design, and implementation of the project.
4. Grant requests must not exceed \$5000 and are for a one-year term. Typically grants will run from July 1 to June 30. O n e grant per year will be awarded. The grant is not renewable.
5. The research grant selection committee for Internal Medicine will include the Division Director of Geriatrics, or a designated representative.
6. The deadline for submission of the completed application form will coincide with the deadline for other Internal Medicine Resident Grant Competitions. Residents may not hold more than one grant concurrently.
7. Successful applicants will be informed in May. Applicants will receive written

feedback regarding their application to help with future submissions.

8. Successful applicants will be required to:
 - a) Submit an interim report midway through the grant cycle
 - b) Present their research at the annual Department of Medicine Resident Research Day
9. Residents are expected to submit their research for presentation at scientific meetings and for publication in peer reviewed journals. Funding by the “Department of Medicine, Division of Geriatric Medicine and St. Peter’s/McMaster Chair of Aging” must be acknowledged.
10. Funds are to be applied to research related activities, excluding travel costs.
11. Successful applicants can apply for one additional month of research time during their residency, pending final approval by the Program Director of the Internal Medicine Residency Program based on the merit of the project.
12. Approval by the local Research and Ethics Board is mandatory, if applicable.

