



Support for Education and Outreach Activities

South Carolina Medical Translational Technology Program

This document solicits proposals for grants to support education and outreach activities for healthcare organizations (hospitals and surgery/diagnostic centers) participating in the South Carolina Medical Translational Technology (MedTransTech) Program. The awards support the conduct of short-term (e.g. one day or less) events such as seminars, courses, workshops, and retreats aimed at training and communicating information that is of importance to healthcare organizations and is to be delivered to patients and/or staff. A concerted effort must be made to include/invite other clinical sites participating in the MedTransTech Program.

SC MedTransTech Program

The MedTransTech Program is a partnership of academic, healthcare, and industry organizations aimed at enabling biomedical innovation (discovery put to use), accelerating the transfer of resulting advances to the patient community, and facilitating education and outreach to the healthcare community. Current partners include (1) the academic and research universities of the South Carolina Bioengineering Alliance (SCBA - Clemson University, the Medical University of South Carolina, and the University of South Carolina); (2) five South Carolina hospitals and surgery/diagnostic centers (AnMed Health Medical Center, Bon Secours St. Francis Health System, Greenville Hospital System, Medical University of South Carolina Health Medical Center, and Palmetto Health System); and (3) Stryker Corporation (a leading international medical technology and device manufacturer).

The MedTransTech Program is governed by a Master Service Agreement executed on August 21, 2009; administered by the SCBA; overseen by an Advisory Council that includes representatives from all participating organizations; and implemented by a Steering Committee which consists of representatives of the Alliance universities and Stryker Corporation.

For a complete list of partners in the MedTransTech Program please visit <https://www.clemson.edu/cecas/departments/bioe/cubeinc/medtranstech.html>.

Objective and Scope

The primary objective of this solicitation is to facilitate education and outreach on biomedical research advances, needs and opportunities, outcomes, diagnostics, and therapeutics to the healthcare community including faculty, staff, clinicians, and patients at MedTransTech participating organizations. The scope of activities encompassed by this program includes but not limited to conduct of courses, retreats, seminars, and workshops (i.e., events aimed at training and communicating information). Outreach events should be short-term (one day or less) and should benefit some or all of the MedTransTech participating organizations through direct attendance, video teleconferencing, or another remote interactive communication approach. It is expected that all MedTransTech participating organizations will be notified well in advance of the activity and will have the opportunity to attend.

Type of Award and Funding Limits

Each participating organization is eligible to receive up to \$20K per funding period (calendar year), with a maximum award of \$10K to any one project, in the form of a grant made to the coordinating organization for whom the “Lead Coordinator” is employed. The Lead Coordinator will be responsible for all reporting made to MedTransTech and should be identified in the proposal. The number of awards is contingent on availability of funds and merit of the proposals. The Steering Committee reserves the right to approve grants exceeding the maximum of \$10K per project or \$20K per organization where the grant proposal is of high interest to the program.

Allowable costs are those directly associated with the activity such as, but not limited to, handouts, speaker travel; advertising materials; on-site coordination and execution for courses and retreats; transportation; registration, and others. Unallowable costs include salary and indirect costs.

Eligibility

Only hospital and surgical/diagnostic organizations participating in the MedTransTech Program are eligible to apply for and receive funding for these education and outreach grants. Any eligibility issues will be addressed by the Advisory Council.

Submittal and Solicitation Dates

Proposals in the format specified below may be transmitted in pdf format at any time to Kristin Foster, SCMedTransTech Executive Coordinator at kffoste@clemsn.edu. This solicitation will expire on August 1, 2017.

Proposal Format

Proposals for education and outreach grants must be prepared in the following format using single-space 12 point Times New Roman type. Please use the template provided within this RFA for developing your proposal. The total proposal must not exceed two pages.

Review and Notification

Expedited review of the proposals will be coordinated by the MedTransTech Steering Committee which may use external reviewers as needed. Criteria for review include benefits to the MedTransTech healthcare community and participants, importance of the topic to the local and national healthcare communities, quality of the program, potential to meet objectives, appropriateness of the budget, eligibility of participants, and overall relevance to the MedTransTech Program. Detailed review comments will not be transmitted to applicants. Proposals will be reviewed rapidly, and a recommendation for funding transmitted to the Advisory Council for approval by e-mail. Awards should be made shortly after approval by the Council. One month is targeted for the overall process from receipt of proposal to transmittal of award. Timing depends on availability of personnel during the stages of review, approval, and funding.

Reporting Requirements

Lead Coordinators are required to submit a report summarizing results and benefits of the event and detailed expenses to the MedTransTech Program Executive Coordinator (kffoste@clemson.edu) within 30 days after the activity. Funds not used for the specified event will be returned to the MedTransTech Program. Lead Coordinator must attend the Annual SCMedTransTech Council meeting per invitation only to present their findings.

Questions

Questions regarding this solicitation must be submitted by e-mail to kffoste@clemson.edu.

MedTransTech Education / Outreach Proposal
Choose Type of Proposal

DATE OF APPLICATION: Click here to enter a date.
TITLE: Title of Event or Travel Purpose
LEAD COORDINATOR: Lead Coordinator, title, affiliation, and contact information of person who will coordinate the event, receive the funds, and accept overall responsibility for the project and reporting requirements
OTHER PARTICIPANTS: Names, titles, and affiliations of other participants. For Travel proposals, include the name and affiliation of traveler(s) if different from the Lead Coordinator
TITLE OF EVENT: Title of event for conduct or conference/course for travel
DATES AND DURATION: **Start:** Click here to enter a date. **Duration:** Duration
LOCATION OF EVENT: Location of Event (facility and city)

PURPOSE

Objectives and scope - Value.

PROGRAM

Outline of program for conduct or course/conference agenda (include website for course/conference if available)

UNIQUE ASPECTS

Special Speakers, topics, benefits, or approaches (include biographical sketches for all invited speakers for events with your application, not included in 2-page limit)

BENEFITS TO SCMEDTRANSTECH PARTICIPANTS

The event must be advertised to all SCMedTransTech participants clearly indicating the benefits to these organizations

BUDGET

Itemize planned expenses and provide and provide a total budget requested. Awards are up to \$10K and cover costs directly associated with the event or travel and exclude salary and indirect costs

Submit in PDF format to kffoste@clemsn.edu