



Research Grant Application Process

GENERAL INFORMATION

There is a combined annual grant amount up to \$2,000. Funds are available for research done in U.S. institutions/clinics only. Funds must be used to support completion of the study and may not be spent on salaries or fringe benefits to anyone involved in the completion of the study. After the admission deadline the FysioSolution's board will determine, within one month, what study proposal(s) will be awarded a grant.

GRANT PERIOD:

Grant application ends October 1st of each year. After awarding of the grant the research project has to be completed within 1 year. A grant year will begin January 1 and end December 31, unless another Period of Performance has been requested and approved by FysioSolutions' board in advance of application submission.

AREAS of STUDY:

Grant application can be made for those research projects aimed to evaluate the effectiveness of physical therapist interventions relevant to the application of manual physical therapy.

FUNDING OBJECTIVES:

The intent of FysioSolutions grant opportunity is to fund the quality, scientifically based and clinically relevant research with priority given to projects having the most immediate clinical application. Proposed studies should add to or refine the body of knowledge on which the physical therapist's practice is based using any of a variety of recognized investigative methods, such as experimental, descriptive, or correlational. Proposed studies should address relevant critical questions regarding clinical research.

Research proposals should set out to do one or more of the following:

- Evaluate the clinical effectiveness of therapeutic interventions
- Assess the interaction between patient characteristics and therapeutic methods
- Explore the scientific basis for interventions used in physical therapy
- Have direct application to the practice of physical therapy
- Address the need for measurable outcomes
- Ask a new question important to intervention or its validation

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS:

Applicant Eligibility Proposals may be submitted by an individual or a group of investigators. Groups must designate one (1) member as the Principal Investigator responsible for directing



the project. Other members of the group may be physical therapists, physical therapist assistants, or persons from other disciplines that are relevant to the proposed study. Principal Investigators supported by FysioSolutions research grants are required to meet one of the following criteria:

- be a U.S. citizen or have been lawfully admitted for permanent residence in the U.S

FysioSolutions requires the applicant to demonstrate their residence status and visa status that will allow them to carry out the research.

- Possess a license to practice physical therapy in the U.S. or in a U.S. jurisdiction
- Have met all the requirements for physical therapy licensure in the U.S. or in a U.S. jurisdiction, including having received a passing score on the licensure exam
- Possess a physical therapist assistant license in the U.S. or in U.S. jurisdiction
- Have met all the requirements for licensure as a physical therapist assistant in the U.S. or in a U.S. jurisdiction, including having received a passing score on the licensure exam.
- Be an active student in a U.S based accredited DPT program
- Be an active student in a U.S based accredited PTA program

STUDY PROGRESS REPORT

It will be expected that the principle investigator informs FysioSolutions of the following:

- Submission of all progress and final reports to FysioSolutions.
- Dissemination of results of the study through peer-reviewed publications and public presentation.

SUBMISSION:

Each proposal must include the following sections (length recommendations in parentheses)

- 1) Title Page: Title, name of investigator(s), address, phone, e-mail of principal investigator.
- 2) Abstract (300 words).
- 3) Introduction/Background: Literature review relevant to the study (2-3 pages).
- 4) Purpose: Purpose of Study, Specific Aims, Study Significance to the physical therapy profession (2 pages).
- 5) Methods: Subjects, Research Design, Study Variables, Outcome Measures, Data Analysis (3-4 pages).
- 6) Statement of Protection of Rights of Human Subjects
- 7) A copy of your study's Informed Consent Form must be included.
- 8) Indicate status of IRB application.
 - a. Initiated; In Review; In Revision; Re-submitted; Approved.
 - b. If IRB Approved, provide copy of Approval Letter.



- 9) Provide Clinical Trial central registration number. (National Clinical Trial (NCT) number, another term for the ClinicalTrials.gov registry number unique to each record. The format for the ClinicalTrials.gov registry number is "NCT" followed by an 8-digit number, e.g.: NCT00000419.
- 10) Time Table for completion of project stages. (Project periods are clearly outlined and reasonable for completion.)
- 11) Detailed Budget.
 - a. Itemized Table of Study's Requested Expenses.
 - b. Narrative Budget Justification for Expenses.
- 12) References.
- 13) Appendices (as needed to strengthen the proposal).
- 14) Curriculum Vitae (CV) for each investigator (2 pages/investigator).
- 15) Please completely Identify if there is any other funding that is used to complete this study.

Please send submission material in a PDF or word file to rsillevis@fysiosolutions.net

SUBMISSION REVIEW PROCESS

The deadline for the grant application will be October 1st of each year. After receiving all grant applications, a three panel FysioSolutions' board will determine, based on clinical relevance of the study and the possible contribution to the field of physical therapy, within 30 days what studies will receive that years FysioSolutions' grant(s). All applicants will be notified by email of the boards decision.