

Short-term Secondees Programme for Best Practices in Pediatric Transplantation

ERN TransplantChild awards Travel Grants to Medical Specialists and Specialist Trainee who are currently dedicated to paediatric transplantation and wish to pursue a Short-term training stay in any of the 18 health care providers (HCPs) members of TransplantChild.

Purpose

- To learn clearly-defined methods, techniques, treatment application, ... useful for the research or work at home by visiting another center.
- To improve the knowledge and practice in paediatric transplantation under the scope of TransplantChild

Scope

Only proposals in the field of Paediatric Transplantation with a cross-cutting approach will be funded. Training for the application of best practices will be between the members of the network (estimation of 3 secondees of one month each).

The grant

TransplantChild will award three (3) grants for short-term visits of up to one month. The grants contribute towards travel costs and subsistence with 2300 Euros per grant.

Timing

- Short-Term Secondees are intended for visits of 1 month.
- Applications should be submitted before the 8th December 2017 at 17:00 (CET).
- The list of selected candidates will be published in www.transplantchild.com by the 22nd of December 2017.
- The planned date for start will be not later than 15th February 2018.

How to apply

The entire application shall be submitted in English and by the applicant personally, including

- Form models ([Application Form](#))
- Statement in which you describe the connection of the planned training with TransplantChild
- Letter of acceptance of the host center
- Letter of approval of the home center, including his/her salary will be continued during the envisaged training.

Eligibility Criteria: Who can apply

- Applicants must be European citizens or non-European citizen working in one of the members Institution part of ERN-TransplantChild.
- The proposed stay must be conducted in an institution part of TransplantChild.
- The project proposal should address any of the topics found by the gap analysis:
 - Tolerance in Pediatric Transplantation: new tools for tolerance induction.
 - Surgical Procedure: Donor Graft selection and manipulation.
 - Psychosocial care and support.
- The grant is not awarded in order to attend courses, symposia, meetings or congresses
- The grant is not renewable and can be held only once
- It cannot be held simultaneously with awards or funding made available by other sources or organizations, nor can they be used to prolong visits begun under other auspices.

Documents to submit:

- Short curriculum vitae (.doc or .pdf)
- Project proposal (max 3 pages, .doc or .pdf). The proposal should include summary and aim, background and operational objectives and working plan
- Letter of recommendation (not from the receiving institute, .doc or .pdf)
- Acceptance letter from the head of receiving Institute (.doc or .pdf)
- All proposals should be submitted by email to coordination@transplantchild.com before 17:00 (CET), 8th December.

Grant evaluation

- The EaT WG will evaluate the proposal. The evaluation will be carried on by the members of the Education and Training WG at the time of the evaluation.
- The main criterion for approval or rejection of an application is the scientific quality of the application, reflected by the applicant's achievements to day.

Payment

Upon the approval of the travel grant, the money will be transferred to a bank account named by the applicant. Bank details can be sent via e-mail, including:

- Name and address of the bank
- Bank code number
- Account name
- Account number, with complete SWIFT and IBAN numbers

Payments will be only done to European bank accounts.

End of grant report

At the end applicants are asked to provide a report of their activity at the host institute. The report should be sent to TransplantChild Coordinator centre within 3 months of completing the visit time. The report should be about two pages, and should summarize the results as well as possible plans for further work to be undertaken.

Dates

Submission of proposal	8 th December 2017
Publication of selected candidates	22 nd December 2017
Starting date of the visit	15 th February 2018