

NURSE AND ALLIED HEALTH PROFESSIONAL FOUNDATION FELLOWSHIP 2017

The research grants of the Intensive Care Foundation are aimed primarily at encouraging new research workers from medically qualified and non-medically qualified professional backgrounds. The 'Nurse and Allied Health Professional Fellowship' is specifically targeted at the non-medical disciplines; there is no time-frame on duration of time in substantive post related to eligibility of applying.

The awards are intended to be seed grants to conduct either small-scale independent projects, or contribute to larger-scale studies, of any methodology that have a relevance to the field of intensive care. These projects may be components of postgraduate qualifications e.g. Masters or PhD programmes, but we would expect to see detailed breakdown of how the fund will contribute to the research element itself rather than sole applications for tuition fees. The grants are open to UK Members and Non-Members of the Intensive Care Society; overseas applicants must be ICS members.

The Foundation has only modest funds available each year and therefore limits the maximum for individual to £3,000. Part funding proposals (in conjunction with other grant sources) will be considered but must be accompanied by a clear indications of how Intensive Care Foundation funds will be allocated and contribute to the overall project, when the decisions on the non-ICF portion of the funding would be available, and how the project would proceed if only Intensive Care Foundation funds were available. Lower priority will be given for applications merely seeking top up to larger projects.

The Intensive Care Foundation will consider grant applications for projects where applications have been made to other funding bodies. Applicants who have submitted the same or a similar project to other funding bodies, or plan to do so within six months of the closing date should indicate when these funding bodies will reach a decision.

Applications should be made to the Research Committee using the application form and emailing when completed to johnjones@ics.ac.uk. The closing date for consideration of research grants for 2017 is **5pm, Friday 1st September**. For any queries please contact foundation@ics.ac.uk or call 020 7280 4350.

Applications undergo internal independent peer review. The Committee will review applications and reviews, and confirm a decision. However in exceptional circumstances applicants may be required to participate in a further stage of the selection process. This would usually entail clarification by written (email) communication. The final decision to award will be made by the Committee and acknowledged in writing. Unfortunately it will not be possible to provide feedback on individual applications.

The following aspects of the proposal are scored:

- Evidence of contribution to personal development
- Justification of costs
- Importance of proposed project to ICU
- Quality of project design
- Expertise and resource available
- Feasibility within timescale

This score remains confidential to the committee. The decision of the Research Committee will be final and binding. There is no appeals process. It is a condition of the award of a grant that the Intensive Care Foundation is acknowledged in all presentations and publications of work resulting from the research. Submission of an annual report is required from the initial date of the award to completion of all its research "outputs".

Applicants are also required to submit their work for presentation at the "Research" session of the State of the Art Meeting in the year of, or immediately following, their award. In addition successful applicants are expected to submit a report (750-1000words) of how you used the Fellowship grant, within 12 months of the award (a longer period may be allowed if the award is used towards a research course or similar). This will be published on the website and/or the Journal of the Intensive Care Society (JICS).

Many thanks

John Jones

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'John Jones', written in a cursive style.

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