

Healthy Smiles, Healthy Children Oral Health Research Grant

Overview

Healthy Smiles, Healthy Children's grant and programmatic activities are intended to have a positive impact on the oral health of at least 5 million children over the next five years. Healthy Smiles, Healthy Children Oral Health Research Grants are key components of this overall goal.

HSHC Oral Health Research Grants are multi-year awards of up to \$100,000 a year for up to three years that can be applied to research initiatives consistent with the American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry's Research Agenda.

American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry Research Agenda

1. Transmission, etiology, risk assessment, early detection, prevention, and management of caries.
2. Caries management using antimicrobials, fluorides, and remineralizing agents.
3. Disparities and barriers to accessing dental care.
4. Development of a national databank on pediatric dental issues.
5. Efficacy of infant oral health (i.e., first dental visit by age 12 months).

Additional topics of relevance are:

1. Pulp biology and efficacious and biocompatible pulp treatment.
2. Safe and effective sedative agents for pain and anxiety control.
3. Specific (immunity) and non-specific host factors in the etiology and prevention of dental caries.
4. Interface between medicine and dentistry in addressing access to care.
5. Biologic and behavioral factors in the natural history of caries.
6. Parenting styles.
7. Non-pharmacologic behavior guidance approaches.
8. Efficacy and biocompatibility of restorative materials.
9. Pediatric dentist's role in monitoring, preventing, and managing obesity.
10. Etiology, detection, prevention, and management of pre-pubertal and juvenile periodontal disease

In the context of the AAPD Research Agenda, special consideration will be given to research projects designed to better understand caries and its impact on child oral health and/or to evaluate performance of dental care programs targeting underserved/limited access child populations.

Research proposals for studies falling outside of the AAPD Research Agenda will not be considered.

Use of Funds

HSHC research funds may be utilized for larger scale projects involving multiple donors or smaller investigations where HSHC is the lead or lone supporter.

Indirect project costs will not be funded.

Oral Health Research Grants must be expended within three years of award. Funding is awarded July 1, 2011.

Qualifications

Qualified applicants/organizations are limited to individuals affiliated with programs that are accredited by either the American Dental Association's Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA) or the Commission on Dental Accreditation of Canada (CDAC).

Requirements and How to Apply

To be considered for support, qualified applicants/organizations must:

- ✓ Complete the Oral Health Research Letter of Intent (LOI)
- ✓ Provide organization / project audit or other supporting financial information
- ✓ Submit LOI and audit to Tracey Schilligo at tschilligo@aapd.org by September 1, 2010. Please note that attachment size should not exceed 3MB. If the attachment is larger than 3 MB, please contact Tracey Schilligo at (312) 337-2169 for alternative submission options.

******If you do not receive a receipt of email from Tracey Schilligo within 24 hours of submitting your grant LOI, then your submission did not go through.***

Limitations

HSHC awards a limited number of Oral Health Research Grants, the amount of which is based on available funds. Grant requests made by qualified applicants may be denied due to funding limitations. Once made, all grant decisions are final. Denied applicants are encouraged to resubmit in the future.

If you have any questions regarding the above information please contact Tracey Schilligo, Grant Management & Corporate Relations Coordinator, at tschilligo@aapd.org or (312) 337-2169.