

Virginia Gastroenterological Society Announces Community Education Grant

Sponsoring World Class Learning on a Local Level

The Virginia Gastroenterological Society is committed to providing educational opportunities for clinicians throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia. We are proud to announce a new educational initiative providing unrestricted educational grants to enhance the ongoing medical educational experiences of VGS members throughout Virginia. The unrestricted grant, in the amount of \$2,000, is available to VGS members once per calendar year. The funds may be used to defray the costs of any approved educational activity.

OBJECTIVE GOALS

The Society seeks to encourage VGS members in creating local learning events in their own communities. The VGS Community Education Grant may be used to help defray the costs of honoraria, venue and equipment rental, and food.

HOW IT WORKS

The program is supported and administered by the Virginia Gastroenterological Society. The VGS Board will be responsible for reviewing and evaluating all grant applications. Qualifying institutions will commit to promote the event, recruit participants, and create opportunities for faculty, trainees and community members to interact with the speaker. The event may be held at an academic medical center or at any venue suitable for a local gut club presentation. The VGS Educational Grant is unrestricted, and disbursement of the funds shall be at the discretion of the institution.

The VGS will provide an unrestricted \$2,000 grant to successful applicants approximately 4-6 weeks after initial application.

TO APPLY

Institutions are invited to complete an application form and to submit a one-page letter of interest to the VGS President and Board. The letter should include a statement of need outlining the training program's objectives and how this talk will advance GI education as well as involve community gastroenterologists.

Each application will be designated for the calendar year in which the grant is applied. Please submit applications *at least 4 weeks in advance of your event* to Susan Foster sfoster@gastrohealth.com

Visit www.vagastro.org for more information

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APPLICATION FORM

Instructions: Submit this application form and a one-page letter of interest addressed to the VGS Executive Secretary by email: sfooster@gastrohealth.com. The letter should include a statement of need outlining the program's objectives and how this talk will advance GI education in the community. **Please allow four weeks prior to your event for grant consideration.**

Date:

Point Person/Contact:

Name of Institution:

GI Program Director:

Total Number of Fellows:

Primary Contact Email:

Phone Number:

Potential Event Dates: *(Please list three dates in the proposed calendar year and provide at least one month lead time)*

Proposed Speaker(s):

Expected Attendance (est.):

Anticipated Activities for the Visiting Professor: *(Check off as many as applicable)*

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Medical Grand Rounds | <input type="checkbox"/> Fellows Case Discussions | <input type="checkbox"/> Faculty one-on-ones |
| <input type="checkbox"/> GI Grand Rounds | <input type="checkbox"/> Journal Club | <input type="checkbox"/> Community MD Forum |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other <i>(describe)</i> | | |

Statement of Need: *(Please attach letter describing proposed use of funds and how this program will enhance the educational experience of your program and the community.)*