International Development & Education Award (IDEA) in Palliative Care

2020 Request for Applications (RFA)

Application Deadline: October 31, 2019

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Conquer Cancer®, the ASCO Foundation, funds research into every facet of cancer to benefit every patient, everywhere. In 1964, seven oncologists created the American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO), now a global network of nearly 45,000 cancer professionals. As ASCO’s foundation, Conquer Cancer helps turn science into a sigh of relief for patients around the world by supporting groundbreaking research and education across cancer’s full continuum.
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Purpose

The International Development and Education Award in Palliative Care (IDEA-PC) provides medical education in palliative care, assists with career development, and helps establish strong relationships with leading ASCO members in the field of palliative care who serve as scientific Mentors to each recipient. IDEA-PC Recipients are expected to share the knowledge and training they receive through the program with colleagues in their home countries once they return.

The IDEA-PC program enables Recipients to attend sessions at the ASCO Annual Meeting that address symptom management, communication, end-of-life care, and other relevant topics. The program also includes a visit to the Mentor’s U.S. or Canadian institution to experience palliative care performed in a multidisciplinary environment and provides an opportunity to cultivate long-term professional relationships that will help improve palliative care in the Recipients’ home countries.

Award

The number of Awards in each funding cycle is not predetermined by Conquer Cancer. Awards are given based on individual merit and availability of funds. The Award will provide each Recipient with the following:

**ASCO Member Mentor**
- An ASCO member in the U.S. or Canada who volunteers to serve as a mentor and is matched to an IDEA-PC Recipient based on shared professional and scientific interests.
- The Mentor helps the Recipient navigate the Annual Meeting, hosts Recipient at their institution, and serves as a professional contact for Recipient after he or she returns home.

**ASCO Annual Meeting**
- Complimentary registration for the Annual Meeting, including attendance at one ticketed session of the Recipient’s choice.
- Economy-class airfare to and from the Annual Meeting (arranged by ASCO).
- Hotel room charge and tax, up to 6 nights, during the Annual Meeting (arranged by ASCO).
- Per diem stipend for meals and ground transportation.

**Extended Tour Award (ETA)**
- Economy-class airfare between the Annual Meeting and Mentor’s institution (arranged by ASCO).
- Hotel room charge and tax, up to 4 nights, during the ETA (arranged by ASCO).
- Per diem stipend for meals and ground transportation.

**Other**
- $100 for expenses associated with obtaining mandatory travel/medical insurance.
- Up to $1,000 reimbursement for Recipients who must travel outside their country to obtain a U.S. visa.
- Three (3) years of complimentary membership with ASCO (subject to approval), which includes a subscription to the *Journal of Clinical Oncology*.

The Award is not intended to completely cover all travel or daily expenses during a Recipient’s trip. For example, the Award does not cover medical care, taxes, gratuities (tips), phone calls, laundry, Internet service, in-room movies, etc. The Recipient is financially responsible for all expenses not explicitly covered by the IDEA-PC and ETA Awards.
Eligibility Criteria

Applicants must meet the following criteria to apply for the International Development and Education Award:

1. Applicants must have a current passport that does not expire before December 2020.

2. Applicants must be a current resident of a country classified by the World Bank as Low-Income, Lower-Middle-Income, or Upper-Middle-Income, and have limited resources to attend the ASCO Annual Meeting (see Page 14 for a list of countries).

3. As of June 1, 2020, applicants cannot have completed more than one academic year of “formal training” (for instance, attended medical school, participated in internships, fellowships, or residency programs) in a country classified by the World Bank as High-Income (see Page 15 for a list of countries).

4. Applicants must be a Full Member (including discounted international dues categories) or Member in Training member of ASCO; or willing to submit an application for ASCO membership in one of these categories as part of the IDEA application process:

   **Full Member** — Available to experienced licensed physicians or other health professionals of any nation who devote a majority of their professional activity to cancer patient care and/or research or education in the biology, diagnosis, prevention or treatment of human cancer. **Note:** There is an international discounted dues option available to oncology physicians who reside in a nation classified by the World Bank as Low-Income, Lower-Middle-Income, or Upper-Middle-Income.

   **Member in Training** — Available to health professionals having an MD, DO, PhD, PharmD, or other doctoral degree, who are participating in a subspecialty training program in oncology or another field that would lead to eligibility for Full Membership or Allied Physician/Doctoral Scientist.

   *Note:* Applicants who are not already members of ASCO must submit a membership application in order to be considered for IDEA-PC. Those applicants who are already members of ASCO should check to confirm their memberships are active and may be required to make a payment to reactivate their membership. New applicants will also be asked to make a payment to activate their ASCO membership to be considered during the IDEA review process. If you have concerns about making a payment to make your ASCO membership current, please contact ASCO staff at idea@asco.org. Applicants who are selected for IDEA will receive three years of complimentary (free) membership dues.

5. Applicants cannot have previously attended more than one ASCO meeting in the past five (5) years (including the Annual Meeting, Breast Cancer Symposium, GI Symposium, or GU Symposium).

6. Applicants should be less than ten years past their oncology program training.

7. Applicants must be fluent in English (both writing and speaking).

Applicants are not required to submit an abstract for the 2019 ASCO Annual Meeting. However, reviewers are still interested to know who plans to submit an abstract. This question is included within the
application, and please add whether it is your intention to submit an abstract for the 2019 ASCO Annual Meeting. Applicants may request that the abstract submission fee be waived by sending an email to idea@asco.org.

Interested parties who meet the eligibility requirements for both the International Development and Education Award (IDEA) and the International Development and Education Award in Palliative Care (IDEA-PC) are welcome to apply for both programs. However, those who apply to both programs can participate in only one program – either IDEA or IDEA-PC.

IDEA or IDEA-PC alumni cannot re-apply. Recipients of one award (IDEA or IDEA-PC) cannot apply for the other award in the future. The awards are mutually exclusive.

Compliance with Applicable Legal Requirements (Applies to Non-U.S. Institutions and Entities)

The IDEA Award is subject to applicable financial and legal requirements, including but not limited to United States laws addressing foreign corrupt practices and economic and trade sanctions and embargoes (including but not limited to those administered by the Office of Foreign Assets Control of the U.S. Department of the Treasury). Notwithstanding any other provision in this Request for Proposals, any grant award is contingent on Conquer Cancer’s ability to transfer grant funds to the sponsoring institution and/or individual(s) and support the research project to be conducted by the applicant in compliance with all applicable legal requirements. Conquer Cancer will not accept applications and/or make grant awards to sponsoring institutions or individuals in those countries that are subject to U.S. sanctions or that require Conquer Cancer to obtain a license from the Office of Foreign Assets Control. If it is impossible or inadvisable for Conquer Cancer, in its sole and absolute discretion, to transfer grant funds to the sponsoring institution and/or individual(s) pursuant to applicable legal requirements, the grant will not be awarded to the sponsoring institution and/or individual. If, after payment of the first installment of a grant award, it becomes impossible or inadvisable for Conquer Cancer, in its sole and absolute discretion, to transfer grant funds to the sponsoring institution and/or individual(s) pursuant to applicable legal requirements, then Conquer Cancer shall have no obligation to pay additional installments of the grant award. It is the responsibility of the sponsoring institution and the applicant to provide Conquer Cancer with the information or lawful means that permit Conquer Cancer to transfer the grant funds in compliance with all legal requirements.

Among the resources available to evaluate compliance with requirements administered by the Office of Foreign Assets Control are:

- [http://www.treasury.gov/resource-center/sanctions/Pages/default.aspx](http://www.treasury.gov/resource-center/sanctions/Pages/default.aspx)
- [http://www.treasury.gov/resource-center/sanctions/Programs/Pages/Programs.aspx](http://www.treasury.gov/resource-center/sanctions/Programs/Pages/Programs.aspx)
- [http://www.treasury.gov/resource-center/sanctions/SDN-List/Pages/default.aspx](http://www.treasury.gov/resource-center/sanctions/SDN-List/Pages/default.aspx)

The ASCO IDEA-PC Working Group reserves the right to evaluate and determine applicants’ eligibility based on the information and justifications included in the application materials.
Key Dates

August 1, 2019 ......................... IDEA-PC application period opens

October 31, 2019 .................... Deadline to submit IDEA-PC application (11:59 PM Eastern Time)

Late-Dec 2019/Early-Jan 2020 ...... Finalists contacted by members of IDEA Working Group

Mid-January ........................... Recipients notified (begin application process for U.S. visa)

Late-January (after notification) .... Deadline to accept/decline IDEA

Mid-February ......................... Mentor/recipient matches announced

May 1 .................................... Deadline for recipients to arrange U.S./Canadian visas

May 27 ................................. IDEA recipients arrive in U.S.

May 28 ................................. IDEA Program Orientation

May 29 ................................. Leadership Workshop for IDEA Recipients

May 29-June 2 ......................... 2020 ASCO Annual Meeting (Chicago, Illinois)

June 3-5 ............................... Extended Tour Award – visit Mentor’s institution (U.S./Canada)
Application Details

All applications must be submitted in accordance to the requirements and instructions of this Request for Applications (RFA). All application materials must be in English and must be submitted through the Conquer Cancer online grants portal (https://grants.conquer.org).

Getting Started on the Conquer Cancer Grants Portal

*If you are a new user,* click the “New User?” link on the homepage and complete the registration process.

*If you are an existing user,* use your email address as your log in ID. If your email address has changed, send an email to grants@conquer.org to update your login ID. **Do not register for a new account with a new email address to avoid duplicate records.** For password help, click the “Forgot Password?” link on the homepage. If you have previously applied for a Conquer Cancer grant, an ASCO Professional Development Program, or have participated on a Conquer Cancer review committee, your login information should be the same.

To initiate an application, click **Apply for Funding** on your homepage, once logged in to the grants portal, and select the “2020 International Development and Education Award in Palliative Care.”

The full application must be submitted by **11:59 PM Eastern Time on Thursday, October 31, 2019.**

No late applications will be accepted.

Technical Requirements

For the optimal grants portal experience, please refer to the following information on the home page:

**2020 IDEA-PC Application**

The 2020 IDEA-PC application includes the following mandatory components (see a detailed description of each component beginning on Page 7):

A. Contact Information, Training and Appointment Dates, Organization Name

B. Applicant Information

C. Personal Statement
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D. Biographical Sketch

E. Senior Oncologist Letter of Recommendation

F. Institutional Approval

A. Contact Information

This section requests contact information about the Applicant, including:

- **Applicant**
  - Prefix
  - Name (add any Suffix to the last name field)
  - Degree
  - Gender
  - Race
  - Ethnicity

- **Institution Affiliations**
  
  Click the “Select” button, enter the name of your institution in the pop-up window, and click “Find.” If you see your institution listed, click “Save.” If you do not see the name of your institution, type it again in the box provided.

  - EIN/Tax ID: Type “N/A” (using capital letters)
  - City: Type the city where your institution is located
  - State/Province: Select “N/A” in the drop-down list
  - Country: Select your country in the drop-down list
  - Type: Select the option that best describes your institution (Academic, Business, Government, or Non-Profit)

- **Degrees**
  
  Select your degree using the drop-down list. If your degree is not listed, you may select “Other.”

- **ASCO Member ID**

  (1) If you are not a full ASCO member, you need to complete an ASCO membership application as part of the process to apply for the 2020 IDEA-PC. You must be eligible to become a Full Member (including Full Member in a Developing Country) or a Member in Training member of ASCO. Go to www.asco.org/membership to apply for ASCO membership. Your membership application must be received before October 31, 2019. If your application is pending, please enter “Pending_YourLastName” in the ASCO Membership ID field. If you have any issues with this field, contact grants@conquer.org.

  (2) If the ASCO Member ID field is pre-populated in this format ASCO Member ID_XXXX, this means you have more than one contact record in the system. The numbers represented by XXXX is your person ID in the system. You may leave this field as is.

Applicants are required to submit payment for membership dues to activate their memberships and be considered during IDEA application review. If you have any concerns about this, please contact ASCO Staff at idea@asco.org. Applicants who are selected for IDEA will receive three years of complimentary (free) membership dues.
• Address
Click the “Add” button to enter your address. Check the “Primary” box if this is your preferred mailing address. You may enter more than one address (for example, a business address and a home address), but you must check the “Primary” box for one of the addresses.

• Phone and Fax
Click the “Add” button to enter your phone number. Check the “Primary” box if this is your preferred phone number. You may enter more than one number (for example, a business number and a mobile number), but you must check the “Primary” box for one of the numbers.

• Email
Click the “Add” button to enter your email address. Check the “Primary” box if this is your preferred email address. You may enter more than one email (for example, a business email and a home email), but you must check the “Primary” box for one of the email addresses.

B. Training and Appointment Dates
Please enter the date of your oncology training completion.
If you have a faculty appointment, please enter the date the appointment began. If you do not have a faculty appointment, please click N/A.

C. Organization
You should already see your institution name listed. If you would like to add another organization/institution name, please do so here.
Click the “Select” button, enter the name of your institution in the pop-up window, and click “Find.”
If you see your institution listed, click “Save.” If you do not see the name of your institution, type it again in the box provided.

EIN/Tax ID Type “N/A” (using capital letters)
City Type the city where your institution is located
State/Province Select “N/A” in the drop-down list
Country Select your country in the drop-down list
Type Select the option that best describes your institution (Academic, Business, Government, or Non-Profit)

D. Applicant Information
Please add the following personal and professional details:
1. Passport Number
2. Passport Expiration Date
3. Nationality/Citizenship
4. U.S. Visa Information (if applicable)
5. Current Primary Activity (In Training, Practicing, or Research)
6. Primary Specialty/Disease Site Focus
7. English Proficiency Level
8. Current Research Funding (if applicable)
9. Attendance at past ASCO meetings (if applicable)
10. Information about planned Abstract submission for ASCO’s 2019 Annual Meeting (if applicable)
11. Application to the IDEA-PC program in previous years
12. IDEA Marketing
E. Personal Statement

Your Personal Statement must be written in English. This statement must be your original thoughts and words and provide as many details as possible. The Personal Statement is your opportunity to explain why the review committee should select you for the award. Click the “Add” button to enter text for each required section, or the “Edit” button if you have previously started entering text.

The Personal Statement includes the following required sections:

1. **Background** – Provide an overview of your oncology background and a description of oncology in your region of the world.

2. **Specific Objectives** – State concisely and realistically how attending the Annual Meeting and being mentored by an ASCO member at a cancer center in the United States or Canada will impact your work and oncology in your country/region. List specific objectives that you wish to accomplish while participating in the program.

3. **Future Plans** – Dissemination of the knowledge you gain is an important element of the IDEA program. State how you will apply what you learn during the Annual Meeting and the time spent with your mentor at a U.S./Canadian cancer center. Provide examples of lectures, meetings, and any other future plans you will carry out after returning to your home country.

4. **Mentor** – Please indicate with a YES or NO if you currently have a mentor in a high-income country and provide a brief comment/description.

F. **Biographical Sketch (Upload)**

In the “Uploads” section, click the “IDEA – Biosketch” link to download a template for your biographical sketch. You will need to enter information about your Education/Training and Work Information. If you have no published articles, you may enter “N/A” in Section B. If you have no research experience, you may enter “N/A” in Section C. If you have not attended or lectured at any conferences, you may enter “N/A” in Section D. If you are not involved with any professional societies, such as your local or national oncology society, you may enter “N/A” in Section E.

If you have recently filled out a biosketch form for an US National Institutes of Health (NIH) grant proposal, please feel free to use that form in place of this one.

After you have finished filling out this form, save it on your computer and upload it to the online grants portal.

Please note: These links are often hard to open with pop-up blocker issues so you can also find the templates on the asco.org/idea page.
G. Senior Oncologist Letter of Recommendation (Upload)

In the “Uploads” section, click the “IDEA – Letter of Recommendation” link to download a template for your Letter of Recommendation. You must identify a Senior Oncologist who is willing to submit a letter of recommendation in support of your participation in the IDEA program. It is preferable, but not required, that your Senior Oncologist is an ASCO member, and that (s)he resides in the same country as you. Please select someone who has known you for several years, is familiar with the quality of your work, and understands the importance of your attendance at the ASCO Annual Meeting (as it relates to your institution, your patients, and your country).

- You may choose a past IDEA recipient to serve as your Senior Oncologist.
- If you are currently enrolled in an oncology training program, the Director of your Training Program must approve the Letter of Recommendation.

Provide the Letter of Recommendation form to your Senior Oncologist. Your Senior Oncologist must use this form for your letter of recommendation. The form addresses the relationship between the applicant and Senior Oncologist, how the applicant compares to his/her colleagues, how participation in the IDEA program will impact the applicant, and the opportunities the applicant will have to disseminate the information learned upon returning home.

After the Senior Oncologist has completed the form, s/he should print and sign the form and give it back to you. You will also need to have your Program Director print and sign the form. After obtaining both signature, you will need to scan the signed form, save it on your computer, and upload it to the online grants portal.

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H. Institutional Approval (Upload)

In the “Uploads” section, click the “IDEA – Institutional Approval” link to download a template that will be completed by your Institutional Approver (for example, the Chair of your Department, or the Director of your Institution). This person must affirm that all information included in the application is accurate and true to the best of their knowledge; and that, if selected, the applicant has the support of the institution to participate in the IDEA program.

Provide the Institutional Approval form to the person who will serve as your Institutional Approver. After the Institutional Approver has completed the form, s/he should print and sign the form and give it back to you. You will need to scan the signed form, save it on your computer, and upload it to the online grants portal.

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After all sections of the application have been completed, the applicant will have an opportunity to review the entire application by clicking the “View PDF” button in the Review and Submit section. Once the applicant is completely satisfied with his/her application, s/he must click the “Submit” button. The “Submit” button will appear only after all sections of the application have been completed.

In order to be considered, applications must be complete and submitted prior to 11:59 PM Eastern Time, Thursday, October 31, 2019.
Selection Process

Every completed application is reviewed and graded by the IDEA-PC Working Group, which consists of 6-7 ASCO member volunteers from around the world. Graders will carefully review the CV to make sure the applicant meets the eligibility criteria, specifically noting whether the applicant has fewer than 10 years of experience in oncology; assess how important receiving the IDEA-PC award would be for the applicant’s career development; and evaluate the applicant’s accomplishments as an indicator of future potential.

Graders will also review the personal essays, taking into consideration the applicant’s objectives for attending the Annual Meeting and receiving the Extended Tour Award (ETA), as well as the applicant’s stated plan for sharing the knowledge gained upon returning home.

Finally, graders will assess the overall quality of the application, considering factors such as the recommendation letter submitted by the applicant’s Senior Oncologist, level of English proficiency, the level of need for this award to attend the Annual Meeting (i.e., lack of access to other funding), and whether the applicant submitted an abstract for the ASCO Annual Meeting.

To ensure diverse representation among the recipients, the Working Group may also take other factors into consideration, including oncologic specialty, primary activity (researchers vs. practitioners), country, or gender.

Depending on funding availability, approximately 4 finalists will be selected. In late-December/early January, each finalist will be called by a member of the IDEA-PC Working Group to assess whether the finalist is still interested in participating in the IDEA-PC program, to find out whether the finalist has experienced any changes in his/her personal or professional life which may affect his/her ability to participate in the program, and to assess the finalist’s ability to speak and comprehend English. The group of Recipients will be finalized after calls have been placed.

Award Notification

All applicants will be notified of their selection status in mid-January 2020. The applicants selected to receive the Award will have five (5) days to decide whether they will accept or decline the Award. In the event a Recipient declines the Award, an alternate will be contacted and offered the Award. All Award decisions are communicated via email and are final.
Applicants chosen to receive the International Development and Education Award in Palliative Care must accept and comply with the following terms and conditions:

**Passport / Visa Information**

- Each Recipient must possess a passport that is valid at the time of anticipated travel and remain valid for 6 months after entering the United States. If the passport has an expiration date before **December 1, 2020**, the Recipient must renew the passport before applying for a U.S. visa, and is responsible for paying any fees associated with renewing the passport.

- Each Recipient will begin the process of applying for a U.S. visitor (B1/B2) visa immediately upon receiving the IDEA Award. For more information on the visa application process, visit the U.S. State Department website [https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/us-visas.html](https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/us-visas.html) or contact the nearest United States Embassy or Consulate. ASCO is not responsible for providing visa assistance for travelers (e.g., a spouse or child) who are accompanying the Recipient to the United States.

- For Recipients who need to apply for a U.S. visitor (B1/B2) visa, ASCO will reimburse $160 USD to defray the expense of obtaining a U.S. visa. This amount is not intended to cover the full expense of obtaining a U.S. visa. The $160 reimbursement will be included in the Recipient’s per diem stipend and is contingent upon successful participation in the IDEA program.

- For Recipients who must travel outside of their country to obtain a U.S. visa, ASCO will reimburse up to $1,000 USD toward the cost of airfare, ground transportation, hotel, and meals. Recipients must provide all original receipts at the time of the Annual Meeting to obtain reimbursement, which is contingent upon successful participation in the IDEA program.

- It is the responsibility of the Recipient to find out whether any transit visas are required to travel through other countries on the way to the United States, and for obtaining those visas. The Recipient must notify ASCO if a transit visa is required.

- If a U.S. visitor (B1/B2) visa has not been obtained by May 1, 2020, the Recipient must contact ASCO immediately. ASCO will evaluate whether the Recipient’s participation in the IDEA program should be postponed.

- Although we will try to accommodate any award winner who is unable to attend the ASCO Annual Meeting, we cannot guarantee the award funds will be available after the year that the award was won.

**Travel, Hotel, and Per Diem (Daily) Stipend**

- ASCO will arrange economy-class airline tickets for all Recipients through ASCO’s official travel agency. ASCO is not responsible for making arrangements for travelers (e.g., a spouse or child) who are accompanying the Recipient to the United States.

- A Recipient who wants to cancel his/her participation in the IDEA-PC program, or change his/her travel itinerary, must contact ASCO at least 30 days prior to the Recipient’s scheduled departure.
The Recipient is financially responsible for any costs associated with changing or canceling the travel arrangements less than 30 days before departure, unless the change is the result of a true emergency (e.g., death or serious injury or illness of the Recipient or an immediate family member).

- The IDEA Award is not intended to completely cover all travel or daily expenses during a Recipient’s travel. For example, the Award does not cover medical care, or taxes. All incidentals (room service, telephone, laundry, movies, etc.) will be paid for by the Recipient. The Recipient is financially responsible for all travel, living, and related expenses not covered as part of the IDEA program described here.

- The per diem stipend is intended to cover:
  - Food/meals purchased while participating in the IDEA program (some meals will be provided at events) and during the ETA.
  - Ground transportation to and from the airport in the Recipient’s home country and while in the United States.

**Required Participation and Reports/Survey**

- IDEA Recipients are required to communicate with their Mentors prior to departure for the United States. Recipients are also encouraged to maintain contact with Mentors following their experience.

- IDEA Recipients are required to attend all IDEA-related events during the Annual Meeting.

- IDEA Recipients are required to submit requested evaluations of the IDEA program and provide information on professional activities. A questionnaire will be sent to Recipients one (1) month following the Annual Meeting, another questionnaire will be sent to Recipients one (1) year later, and a third questionnaire will be sent to Recipients five (5) years after they received the award.

- Recipients are strongly encouraged to participate in any activities/reunions of IDEA alumni and to maintain contact with ASCO.

**Other**

- U.S. law requires ASCO to ask you to confirm that you do not employ, transact with, provide services to, or otherwise deal with individuals or organizations that are sanctioned by the United States Department of Treasury's Office of Foreign Asset Control (OFAC), or with any persons known to it.

- Each Recipient must provide the name of a person (for example, a spouse or parent) whom ASCO can contact in case of emergency while the Recipient is in the United States.
World Bank List of Countries Classified as Low-Income, Lower-Middle-Income, and Upper-Middle Income

If your country is not listed below, you do not meet the criteria for the International Development and Education Award, and you may not apply for the 2020 IDEA-PC program.

**Low-Income Countries**

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