

PCOM MEDNet Research Grants: Application and Review Process

1. Approve up to six grants for a total of \$15,000, funds are available for^{PCOM} MEDNet members.
2. Each grant is to support a prospective clinical investigation designed to develop data such that the study a) is complete or b) has the potential to facilitate development of a larger scale, multi-center trial for submission to an external funding agency.
3. A medical student, intern or resident must be actively involved in the project, i.e., helps with developing and writing the proposal as well as assisting in the actual clinical investigation.
4. Grants will be submitted to the^{PCOM} MEDNet Research Committee for review and acceptability. Applications must be completed using the format outlined in Section 6.

Members of the Research Committee will not participate in the review of any grant submitted from their own respective institution.

Research Committee Members shall review and score each grant based upon:

- A. Organization
- B. Clarity
- C. Originality
- D. Scientific Merit

Other important factors that will be considered include budget (must be within the^{PCOM} MEDNet limit) as well as the potential for adding important knowledge to medical care of patients. Each project should have a budget in the range of approximately \$2,000 to \$5,000. Final distribution of funds will be determined by the MEDNet Research Committee.

5. Awarded funds are for direct costs (e.g., drugs, labs) only and shall not be utilized for salaries or indirect reimbursement.
6. Each proposal shall have numbered pages, be written in Times New Roman, 12 point font, and employ the following format:
 - A. Title
 - B. Principal Investigator and Co-Investigators
 - C. Site where research will be conducted
 - D. Purpose
 - E. Background studies
 - F. Anticipated Outcome
 - G. Methods which include:
 - 1) Site of the investigation
 - 2) Type of procedure
 - 3) Inclusion and exclusion criteria
 - 4) Number of subjects
 - 5) Randomization procedure if single or double-blind
 - 6) Parameters to be measured
 - 7) Length of study
 - H. Itemized Budget

Proposals which fail to comply with all of these requirements will not be advanced to the the Research Committee; instead, they will be returned to the investigators for revision.

7. The deadline for submission of applications is December 31. All applications should be submitted online to Joanne M. Jones, MBA, Executive Director, ^{PCOM}MEDNet, via e-mail joannj@pcom.edu. Joanne can be reached at 678-225-7556 or 215-871-6680.
8. Funds will not be dispersed until the study has been approved by the IRB of the respective institution in which the investigation will be completed. A letter of such IRB approval must be received by the ^{PCOM}MEDNet Research Committee.