

CORDIS US CORP EDUCATIONAL GRANT GUIDELINES

Cordis US Corp. (“Cordis”) is committed to the education of Healthcare Professionals and may provide educational grant support (monetary and/or product) to third-party educational conferences that further medical and scientific knowledge through didactic discourse and debate among participants. Cordis understands that by supporting education, patient outcomes are improved through procedural expertise, while clinical evidence is used to continually innovate and advance treatment. With a focus on education, Cordis works to expand the reach of vascular techniques and treatment for the millions of people with cardiovascular disease.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Please review these guidelines to learn more about the Cordis educational grant process, required forms needed when applying for an educational grant, and the therapeutic areas of interest for which grant applications are considered. Educational grants may be awarded to academic medical centers, hospitals, medical societies, professional associations or governmental agencies that sponsor and develop educational programs designed to meet the needs of Healthcare Professionals.

Cordis has prepared this information to assist Educational Providers in preparing grant requests for submission to our organization. Cordis adheres to a strict policy governing independent education activity. Our policy is based on guidelines set by government agencies (e.g., FDA, OIG), accrediting organizations (e.g., ACCME, AAFP, ANCC, ACPE), industry (e.g., AdvaMed), and medical associations (e.g., AMA). One of the goals of this policy is to ensure the Accredited/Educational Provider retains all control governing the program, and Cordis does not exercise any direct or indirect influence over any aspect associated with an independent educational program or activity.

GUIDELINES AND REQUIREMENTS

A. TYPES OF EDUCATIONAL GRANTS

1. CE Grants

Independent medical educational programs/activities sponsored and developed by an academic medical center, hospital, medical society, professional association or government agency that is an accredited provider (e.g., accredited by ACCME, AAFP, ANCC, ACPE)

2. Non-CE Grants

- a. Non-accredited independent educational programs/activities sponsored and developed by an academic medical center, hospital, medical society, professional association, government agency, or patient advocacy group, etc.
- b. Development of patient and/or healthcare professional educational materials.

B. ELIGIBILITY

Educational grants may be awarded to academic medical centers, hospitals, medical societies, professional associations or governmental agencies that sponsor and develop educational programs designed to meet the needs of Healthcare Professionals. See Exclusions section below.

C. **GENERAL GUIDELINES**

1. Educational grant request must contain ALL required completed forms.
2. Grant request must be submitted at least 8 weeks prior to the date of the event to ensure sufficient time for review.
3. Cordis reserves the right to deny requests not submitted, at minimum, 8 weeks prior to event date.
4. Faxed and U.S. mailed grant submissions are not accepted.
5. Grant is subject to rejection if information is incomplete or missing.
6. Financial support may be approved for less than the amount requested.
7. Receipt of a grant request by Cordis does not guarantee approval of grant request.
8. Cordis does not support funding requests from commercial organizations or Medical Education Communication Companies (MECC).
9. Organizations must submit a signed W9 Form along with their request.

Upon Successful Submission of an Educational Grant Request, Cordis will:

1. Provide a Grant ID number in a confirmation email after the grant application is received. If you do not receive a confirmation receipt with the grant ID number, please contact educationalgrants@cordis.com.
2. Notify the contact person from the requesting organization regarding the status of the request (e.g., approved, denied, additional information required) within 8 weeks of receipt.
3. E-mail a .pdf version of the Educational Grant Agreement (for approved grant requests) to the requesting organization for signature.
4. E-mail a signed copy of the Educational Grant Agreement to the applicant for your records.

D. **THERAPEUTIC AREAS OF INTEREST**

Interventional Treatment of Cardiovascular Disease

E. **EXCLUSIONS**

Educational Grants Cannot Be Used to Support:

1. Requests outside our therapeutic areas of interest.
2. Promotional/Sponsorship activities or Exhibits related to products of Operating Companies. Contact Cordis Marketing department at exhibits@cordis.com for such requests.
3. Development of treatment guidelines.
4. Used to pay travel, lodging, conference expenses or honorarium for an applicant presenting a poster or paper.
5. Normal organizational overhead expenses such as the purchase of computer equipment, staff training, etc.
6. Reimbursement for physicians, staff or other attendees for the cost of obtaining CME credits.
7. Programs that have already occurred.
8. Programs that are in luxury resort venues and/or with abbreviated daily agendas.