

## Application for a PIDSP Research Grant

The PIDSP Research Grant to qualified PIDSP members who are principal proponents or co-proponents of a research project aims to facilitate researches in the field of infectious diseases judged to be of significance in improving the quality of health care in pediatric patients by answering knowledge or access gaps in the prevention and management of infectious diseases.

### A. Qualifications for the Grant

1. Principal proponent (principal investigator) must be a PIDSP member in good standing, including life fellows, regular fellows, diplomates, and associate members.
2. If the principal proponent is a pediatric resident physician or fellow-in-training (PIDS), a PIDSP member in good standing must be a co-proponent (co-investigator or co-author) of the research project.
3. The research project must be in line with the PIDSP research agenda and research priorities. ([link of research priorities](#))
4. The research project must be based in the Philippines.
5. Development of systematic reviews, clinical practice guidelines, surveillance projects, funded by the pharmaceutical companies do not qualify for the grant.
6. Proposals must be for projects that will be completed within a period of 1 to 2 years
7. If the research involves human subjects, the proposal should have been submitted and approved by the Ethics Review Board of the institution where the study will be conducted.

### B. Requirement for Submission of research proposal

1. Five (5) copies of the research proposal must be submitted at the PIDSP office not later than June 30 and November 30 of each calendar year to qualify for the year's funding cycle. Electronic submission at [pidsp@uplink.com.ph](mailto:pidsp@uplink.com.ph) is allowed but print copies should still be submitted at the PIDSP office within 1 week of submission.
2. Letter of application for the grant (Appendix 1 [link of sample letter](#)) which is downloadable from the PIDSP website should be submitted by the PIDSP proponent or endorsed by the PIDSP co-proponent if the principal proponent is a pediatric resident physician or fellow-in-training in PIDS. The letter should be addressed to the Chair of the Research Committee, Pediatric Infectious Disease Society of the Philippines.
3. The letter should mention the amount of funding requested and whether the request is for partial or full funding. It should also indicate whether the proposal has been submitted to other agencies and the status of the application.

## C. Format of the Research Proposal

Full proposal should contain the following:

Title of the proposal  
Principal proponent and co-proponents, including affiliation  
Background and review of literature

Rationale or significance of the study, including target beneficiaries or end users of the research

Objectives

Methodology

Study design

Setting or location

Study population

Study Methods

Main outcome measure

Timelines of the study

Data analysis plan and sample size computation

Ethical considerations – including approval from appropriate ethical review board, the process on informed consent, compensation, risk and benefits to the patients Budget

References

Appendix - Data collection forms, tables and graphs, Informed consent forms

## D. Awarding of the Grant

1. The maximum grant for the research paper will be as follows:  
P200,000 if the principal proponent is a PIDSP fellow or diplomate  
P100,000 if the principal proponent is a pediatric resident or fellow-in-training (PIDS) and the co-proponent (co-investigator or co-author) is a PIDSP fellow or diplomate.
2. The number of researches to be funded shall be subject to availability of funds.
3. The grant may include payment but not limited to the expenses for materials, supplies, and laboratory materials, salary for part-time research personnel, honoraria for the statistician, transportation, and payment for the IRB/ERB review. The grant does not include honoraria for the principal proponent and co-proponent.
4. The grant should be liquidated at the end of the study. Unliquidated amount shall be returned to the society.
5. Release of funds will be as follows:  
50% upon approval and submission of IRB/ERB  
35% mid completion of the study indicated by completion of data collection of at least 50% of subjects, upon submission of progress report  
15% upon submission of final written report.

6. A memorandum of agreement shall be signed and notarized with the PIDSP and the principal proponent as signatories.
7. Announcement of approved proposals will be done during the annual convention (February) or during the anniversary celebration (September).
8. The principal proponent shall be allowed to look for additional funds from other research agencies if the project requires bigger support.

**E. Obligations of the Grantee/Awardee:**

1. Upon receipt of the grant, the principal proponent is required to submit quarterly progress reports to the committee  
Upon completion of the project, the principal proponent must present the results during the PIDSP annual convention as a poster under the heading PIDSP research grant. A copy of the completed paper and financial statement must be submitted to the PIDSP Committee on Research within 1 month after the presentation.
2. The final manuscript of all researches granted funding either partial or full by the PIDSP, shall be submitted to the PIDSP journal for publication with the option of the PIDSP journal editorial board for the right of first refusal. If the PIDSP journal decide NOT to publish the paper, the author/s will be informed in writing and will then have the option to submit the same paper to other journals of their choice.
3. For any presentation or publication, due acknowledgement of PIDSP as the funding source should be made by the principal proponent, co-investigators or co-authors whenever results of the research is presented in any public forum or publication.