



Cochrane x AHSM Healthcare Social Media Research Grant

Application Characteristics

- You may request a project period of up to one year and a budget for direct costs of up to \$500 per year for direct costs only.
- 2 grants will be awarded totaling \$500
- The proposed project should be completed within the year period of time.
- No preliminary data are required but may be included if available.
- The Research Strategy may not exceed 2 pages.
- You must be a healthcare provider to be eligible to apply. Trainees are eligible however they need to identify a primary mentor who will oversee their project along with a letter of support.

Scope

The small grant provides limited funding for a short period of time. Examples of the types of projects that will be supported include the following:

- Pilot or feasibility studies
- Secondary analysis of existing data
- Small, self-contained research projects
- Development of research methodology
- Development of new research technology

Eligibility Criteria

1. Proof of being a healthcare worker
 - a. This can include your diploma, enrollment confirmation if you are a trainee, ID badge, copy of medical license, etc.
 - b. Definition of healthcare worker includes but is not limited to nurse, physician, physician assistant, nurse practitioner, medical student, nursing student, etc. If you have any questions about your eligibility, please email <mailto:ahsmresearch@gmail.com>.
2. Must be a United States citizen

Funding Period

- July 1, 2021-June 30, 2022

Application and Submission Information

The goal of the application is to effectively describe your research plan concisely and clearly. Specific instructions for each section of the grant are detailed below. Any deviations from page limitations, margins, and content will render the application ineligible. All applications should have at least 0.5-inch margins, and 12-point arial font. Do not hesitate to email <mailto:ahsmresearch@gmail.com> with any questions.

1. Cover page (1 page):
 - a. Full name
 - b. Date of birth
 - c. Institution or practice location
 - d. Title of Project
 - e. Mentor (if trainee, if you are no longer a trainee this is not a required element)
 - f. Name of person providing letter of support (if trainee, this should be your mentor)
2. Abstract (word count: 400 words):
 - a. Provide a summary of your project, limited to 400 words.
3. Detail how you currently use social media, limited to 100 words.
4. Specific Aims (1 page):
 - a. The Specific Aims page demonstrates a problem, a gap in current knowledge, and suggests a solution. It proposes aims that work toward a defended solution and reveal the impact of the proposal on the problem, the field, and future research.
 - b. Good resources for formatting your specific aims page include:
 - i. <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC6133727/#:~:text=The%20Specific%20Aims%20page%20demonstrates,the%20field%2C%20and%20future%20research>.
 - ii. <https://www.niaid.nih.gov/grants-contracts/draft-specific-aims>
 - iii. Sample applications: <https://www.niaid.nih.gov/grants-contracts/sample-applications>
5. Research Strategy (2 pages):
 - a. a description of the rationale for your research and your experiments in 2 pages
 - b. Your Research Strategy is the core of your application, where you describe your research rationale and the experiments/analyses you will conduct to accomplish each aim.
 - c. Core elements include: Significance, Innovation, or Approach.
 - d. Organize using bold headers or an outline or numbering system—or both—that you use consistently throughout.
 - e. Start each section with the appropriate header: Significance, Innovation, or Approach.
 - i. Organize the Approach section around your Specific Aims.
6. Bibliography (no page limit):
 - a. Include all references from the specific aims page and research strategy. Please follow AMA format for citations

7. Budget (1 page):
 - a. The budget should detail how you plan to use the \$500 award funds. This can include research personnel, computing tools, statistical analysis support, etc.
8. Letters of Support (no page limit, limited to ONE letter of support):
 - a. You should request a letter of support from a mentor or peer who has experience with your work ethic and research productivity.
 - b. If you are a trainee – this letter of support must come from your primary mentor

Application deadline: June 1, 2021

If awarded the grant, you will be required to provide a mid-year progress report and final progress report including all presentations and publications resulting from this work. As a reminder, the project proposed should be completed in the one-year award period. No extensions will be granted.

The Cochrane x AHSM Health Social Media Grant should be acknowledged in all presentations and publications resulting from the work for which the grant is awarded.

All expenses within the \$500 budget will be reimbursed after receipts are provided to AHSM.