

## Educational Grants

**Aim:** Educational grants are intended to assist members of the BIMDG to attend educational meetings and conferences in the field of inborn errors of metabolism or closely allied sciences.

**Eligibility Criteria:** Educational grants are open to all the membership regardless of position or seniority providing that the individual has been a member of the society for at least two years and has paid their subscriptions.

**Timing/Amount:** Educational grants will be awarded three times a year by the BIMDG Committee – at the winter, spring and summer meetings.

The awarding of grants is dependent upon available funds and the number of grants awarded may vary from year to year. The number and value of grants will be decided at the autumn committee meeting and will be advertised within the BIMDG bulletin.

**Priority:** In the event that eligible applications exceed the number of grants available the order of priority for receiving grants is as follows.

1. Application for travel costs to attend the Annual General Meeting or BIMDG sponsored workshop.
2. Application by a member who has not received an award within the last 5 years.
3. Application for a short visit to another department for laboratory or clinical training or collaboration.
4. Application to attend the SSIEM/ICIEM.
5. Application to attend any other conference within (or closely allied to) the field of inborn errors of metabolism. The inclusion of allied conferences is at the discretion of the Committee.
6. Any other educational activity related to Inborn Metabolic Disease.

If it is necessary to distinguish between applicants within a particular category, priority will be given to those who are to present oral or poster presentations at a meeting, those who have particular financial difficulties and those whom at the discretion of the Committee have shown above-average commitment to the furtherance of the management and study of metabolic disease.

**Application:** Applicants are strongly encouraged to apply in advance of the intended conference/meeting. However, when this is not possible due to timing of the meeting, retrospective applications will be admitted at the discretion of the Committee.

Applications should be made using the online form available at [www.bimdg.org](http://www.bimdg.org) or as per these instructions printed in the Winter 2007 edition of the BIMDG Bulletin, 32:41-43 and submitted to the Secretary:

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**Educational Grant Application Form (Confidential)**

Name:

Department:

Work Address:

Email address:

Proposed Use of Grant:

Presentation at meeting:      Submitted Y/N /NA      Accepted Y/N/NA

Title of presentation:

Any additional factors you wish to be considered eg. financial hardship:

**Note: It is a condition of acceptance of an educational grant that a short report should be supplied for the next edition of the BIMDG bulletin.**