2024 APPLICATION GUIDELINES

Welcome to the ENA Foundation research and implementation grants (formerly seed research grants) program. The ENA Foundation is pleased to offer (5) five grants to be awarded in the amount of $500 each. These grants provide funding for research that will advance the specialized practice of emergency nursing.

Submission deadline: August 9, 2024
Number of Implementation Grants: 5
Amount awarded: $500 per grant
Recipient notification: Mid-October 2024
Final report due: On or before December 1, 2025

Eligibility Criteria:
The principal investigator must:
- Submit a complete application with signed research agreement.
- Be ready to start or have already started the research project.
- Not have served on the ENA Board of Directors, ENA Foundation Board of Trustees, or ENA Foundation grant review team in the immediate past three (3) years.
- Be a current ENA member.

Funding:
This research grant is funded by the ENA Foundation. Funds are not available for: completed research, development of a research proposal, investigator salary, travel expenses, indirect costs, computer hardware, software, or fax machine expenses. A brief study budget explaining the usage of funds requested must accompany each grant proposal.

Research Initiatives:
The ENA Foundation updated the list of research initiatives with the goals of revamping the structure of the research being conducted that affects emergency nursing practice methods and bringing the most relevant topics to the forefront. Research and implementation grants may address multiple clinical problems, but priority will be given to research projects that address initiatives relating to:
- Boarding (boarded patient care guidelines, throughput, ED crowding/overcrowding)
- Workplace violence prevention/intervention strategies
- Nurse wellbeing (burnout, healthy work environment, total worker health, etc.)
- Appropriate use of the ED and/or public education on when to use the ED
- New graduates in the ED and/or training new graduate nurses and length of orientation
- Mental health care/behavioral health (adult and pediatric)
- Disaster training
- DEI – diversity, equity, inclusion/bias and discrimination

Application Procedure:
- All questions must be answered. Incomplete applications will not be considered for review. Unless indicated otherwise, attaching curriculum vitae (CV) or resume in place of filling in blanks is not acceptable.
- It is the responsibility of the applicant to submit a signed and completed application and all supporting materials by the posted deadline. Additional materials received after the posted deadline will not be
Applications must be submitted through the ENA Foundation’s online applications system: apply.ena.org.

Applications must be submitted by noon Central time, **August 9**.

Applicants will receive an e-mail from the ENA Foundation acknowledging receipt of the application.

**Review Process:**
- All completed applications will be submitted for and reviewed by a designated research review team.
- Allocation of funds is based on the quality of the research proposal and researcher qualifications.
- Applicants will be notified of the panel's decision by the notification deadline.
- Duplicate funding is not permissible. However, supplemental funding from other organizations is acceptable if funds are not used to pay for the same item twice.
- IRB approval must be on file with the ENA Foundation prior to the issuing of funds. If an IRB does not exist at the institution, the ENA Foundation reserves the right to protect such interests.
- The ENA Foundation must be notified in writing (review Reports/Publications) if a principal investigator’s employer changes during the funding period.
- If the study is not completed, any unused funds must be returned to the ENA Foundation unless there is a clear plan to continue the study. This plan must be submitted in writing to ENA Foundation.
- Final report must be submitted 60 days following the 12-month grant funding period.

**Recommendations for Consultation:**
If you are not an experienced researcher, but you are interested in conducting nursing research in emergency care areas, it is strongly advised that you seek consultation from a nursing research expert in your local area. In addition, before completing an application, it is strongly suggested that all applicants review the ENA Research Guide which provides tips on how to complete a qualified grant application.

**Reports and Publications:**
- A final report must be submitted no later than one year after the grant is awarded. **If a final report is not received, funding must be returned.**
- **Mention of the funding source “ENA Foundation” is required in all publications and presentations.**
- A copy of any publications based on this work must be submitted to the ENA Foundation.
- The investigator is required to give the right of first refusal to the *Journal of Emergency Nursing* for publication of the research. Investigator is encouraged to submit for abstract poster presentations at the ENA Annual Conference. Please forward a copy of any articles, presentations and published information regarding the study to the ENA Foundation at ENA Headquarters in Schaumburg, IL.

Questions? Please direct any questions to the ENA Foundation at 847-460-4100 or ena.foundation@ena.org.