MIB Agents Family Fund FACTOR Travel Award Guidelines

About MIB Agents

MIB Agents is a leading pediatric osteosarcoma nonprofit dedicated to Making It Better for our community of patients, caregivers, doctors, and researchers through programs, education, and research. We are devoted to creating and instilling hope with and for our inclusive and collaborative osteosarcoma community. We do this through mutual trust, transparency and compassion.

About FACTOR 2022

Started in 2016, the annual MIB Agents FACTOR conference brings together the leading researchers, clinicians, and surgeons, along with patient families and OsteoWarriors (survivors, patients and siblings of OsteoWarriors and OsteoAngels) to Make It Better for those battling this disease. FACTOR stands for Funding, Awareness, Collaboration, Trials, Osteosarcoma, Research. In bringing the osteosarcoma community together, the goal is to drive collaboration on advancing treatments and improving outcomes for patients with osteosarcoma.

- Significantly improve osteosarcoma awareness and patient outcomes through collaborative disease management approach, clinical trials and dedicated osteosarcoma research.
- Brainstorm on challenges and come up with collaborative solutions to fast track improvements for osteosarcoma.
- Create a symbiotic bridge between the osteosarcoma medical and patient community to overcome challenges and create solutions.
- Evaluate funding needs for research and provide awareness for worthy initiatives and funding solutions.
- A dedicated forum to review progress on an annual basis on various osteosarcoma disease management initiatives.

FACTOR 2022 will be held in person June 23-25 at Rancho Bernardo Inn in San Diego, CA. In the case speakers are not able to attend due to COVID travel restrictions, there will be a capacity for virtual presentations. As immune-compromised patients will be in attendance, proof of vaccination is required to attend and masks will be required during the conference. In case of COVID surge or lockdown, FACTOR 2022 will pivot to a hybrid or virtual event.

About the MIB Agents Family Fund FACTOR Travel Award

Collaboration among the scientific and patient community is a key hallmark of MIB Agents. MIB Agents Family Fund FACTOR Travel Awards are supported by MIB Agents Family Funds, osteosarcoma patients and families who raise funds in honor of an OsteoWarrior or OsteoAngel. MIB Agents Family Funds support many critical initiatives including patient programs and the annual MIB Agents Outsmarting Osteosarcoma grant program. Their dedication to Making It Better and fostering collaboration and education in the scientific community makes every MIB Agents award incredibly meaningful. Family Funds can elect to sponsor a doctor/researcher to attend the FACTOR conference.
The MIB Agents Family Fund FACTOR Travel Award amount is up to $2,000 and must be applied to FACTOR 2022 conference expenses, including conference registration, conference accommodations, airfare and transportation, including transfer to/from the airport.

Eligibility

The MIB Agents Family Fund FACTOR Travel Award is open to any doctor/researcher who meets the following eligibility criteria and does not have institutional or grant support to cover FACTOR 2022 registration and travel expenses.

- Hold a doctoral degree (including but not limited to MD, DO, PharmD, or PhD)
- Have a demonstrated track record in pediatric cancer and specifically osteosarcoma clinical practice and or research.
- For junior faculty, be enrolled in an oncology fellowship training program, a radiation oncology residency program, or an equivalent oncology training program.
- Must be accredited in a hospital with a division for pediatric oncology.
- Must be employed by a non-profit institution.
- International applicants will be considered.

Application Process

Applications must be submitted online at ProposalCentral, an electronic grant submission system.

- If you are a first time user in ProposalCentral, click the link: “Need an account?” and complete the registration process.
- If you are already registered in ProposalCentral, access the site and login with your User ID or email address. If you have forgotten your password, click on “Forgot your password?”

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During the online application process, you will be asked to provide:

- Short personal statement describing their research area and interests, current work setting, career aspirations, reasons for attending FACTOR and how the opportunity to attend will Make It Better for the osteosarcoma community.
- Attestation to the fact that you do not have institutional or grant funding to cover conference registration and/or travel expenses.
- NIH Biosketch or CV

Applications will be reviewed and award recipients will be selected by the MIB Scientific Advisory Board.
**Timing**

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**Award**

Award amounts will be determined during the review process and may be up to $2,000. Award recipients will receive the MIB Agents Family Fund FACTOR Travel Award in the form of a check made payable to their institution when they register for the FACTOR 2022 conference.