



Urgent Care Research Grants Program

Urgent Care College of Physicians Announces a Grant RFP

Competitive Grant Program – Internal UCCOP Review Process

Background

The Urgent Care College of Physicians (UCCOP) is an affiliate of the Urgent Care Association and is dedicated to advancing the specialty of Urgent Care medicine. Building a body of original research is essential to elevating the recognition of Urgent Care's vital position within the healthcare continuum.

The Urgent Care Research Grant Program invites Urgent Care professionals to apply for UCCOP funding to support projects and research that serve to further Urgent Care medicine as a specialty, contribute to the library of published research on Urgent Care, address known clinical gaps and create pathways for continued progress.

Applicant Eligibility Criteria:

Organizations and individuals may apply. Applicants must hold a current UCA membership. (Information on membership can be found [here](#).)

Grant award recipients may reapply for funding for up to three (3) consecutive years. Following three award years, applicants may apply again after 365 days without application or funding.

Organizations may apply multiple times in a year, but will only be awarded once per 365 days.

Grant submissions outside the RFP will not be considered for funding. Applicants will be encouraged to apply during the next RFP cycle.

Areas of Interest for this RFP:

UCCOP supports educational development and clinical discovery efforts of individuals and organizations in the Urgent Care field including:

- Steroid Stewardship
- Syncope Protocols
- Point of Care Ultrasound in UC
- Non-Opioid Pain Management
- Workforce Competencies

Preference for research that includes pediatric populations and preferably geriatric populations.

Applications in the above areas of interest are given priority, but applications outside these interest areas are still encouraged.

Funding limitations:

No funding will be provided for substantial activities promoting propaganda, lobbying, or attempting to influence legislations, participation, or intervention in any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any public office candidate.

If your project requires Institutional Review Board approval, this approval documentation must be provided in advance of the project start.

Please note, UCCOP grant funds cannot be used for:

- Indirect costs or overhead costs
 - Indirect costs are those costs not directly related to the proposed project or project activities, but rather are incurred for the joint benefit of multiple projects and other activities. Overhead costs are costs associated with conducting general business, or other operating costs not directly associated with the project.
- Capital purchases or Equipment purchases
- Event or entertainment costs; or Food and beverage

Expected Approximate Monetary Range of Grant Applications:

We anticipate supporting one to two projects per RFP, representing geographically diverse locations across the United States. The estimated total available budget related to this RFP is \$20,000.

Support will be considered at any grant level within the anticipated total available budget, from small (\$1,000 – 5,000) to mid-size (\$5,000+).

Grant applications may propose multi-year project plans, up to three years, that will be considered for full or select years. Applicants will be required to reapply each year for a continuation and funding will be based on available funds with no guarantee of funding or at same rate of funding.

Key Dates:

RFP Release Date: January 9

Grant Application Due Date: February 27

Please note the deadline is 23:59pm ET

Anticipated Grant Award Notification Date: **April 19**

Grants will be distributed following a fully executed agreement.

Anticipated Project Start: **May 2026**

Review and Approval Process:

Grant requests are reviewed by the Urgent Care College of Physicians Research Committee and the Urgent Care College of Physicians Board of Directors. The UCCOP Board of Directors make final grant decisions.

Notification Method to Applicants:

All applicants will be notified via email by the dates noted above.

Applicants may be asked for additional clarification during the review period.

Contact:

For questions regarding this RFP, please email Samantha Wulff.