Thrasher Research Fund Grants

No deadline – Concept papers are accepted on a rolling basis


Research Interests

Topics
The Thrasher Research Fund remains open to a variety of pediatric medical research topics. Research projects with the potential to impact a large number of children as well as research projects that address severe problems affecting relatively few children will be considered. The Fund seeks to maintain a portfolio of grants with a balance of both domestic and international research.

Emphasis
The Fund supports clinical/translational pediatric research. Emphasis is placed on projects with potential findings that would be clinically applicable in a relatively short period of time for the prevention, diagnosis and/or treatment of pediatric medical problems.

When to Apply
Concept papers are accepted on a rolling basis with no specific deadline for submission. The investigator can usually expect notification about the concept in 6-8 weeks depending on the time of submission and the number of concepts received by the Fund. Notification is made by return e-mail.

How to Apply
Applicants are required to submit a concept paper as the initial step in the review process. Applicants whose research concepts match the Fund’s interests will be invited to submit a full proposal for peer review. Investigators are encouraged to discuss the suitability of specific ideas with a Research Manager prior to submitting a concept paper. Proposals in review are assigned to a specific Research Manager. Applicants should contact the assigned Research Manager for clarifications or questions regarding the status of the application.

Budget and Duration Guidelines

Duration
Projects are supported for up to 3 years.

Amount
Amounts awarded and time periods vary depending on the specific needs of each proposal. Over the last several years awards from the Fund have ranged from a few thousand dollars to approximately $400,000. The Fund’s median award is $230,000, with the majority between $150,000-$300,000.