

MATTIE MIRACLE EARLY INVESTIGATOR RESEARCH GRANT



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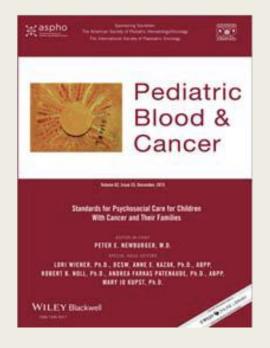
Spreading hope through psychosocial support™

"To know Mattie was to love him. We will never forget our little boy, who was so full of life and was precocious, vivacious, and courageous. Mattie's suffering and death cannot be forgotten and there must be a purpose and meaning behind Mattie's experience. We take Mattie's lessons that he taught us and apply them to advocate for awareness and support for children and their families living with childhood cancer."

Peter Brown and Vicki Sardi-Brown Mattie's parents

PURPOSE

- This grant is being offered to support research that aims to help implement any of the 15 published pediatric psychosocial standards of care.
- Mattie Miracle paid for indefinite open access to the Standards. (http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1002/pbc.25675/ or www.mattiemiracle.com/standards)



Eligibility

- 1. Current APOS membership.
- 2. Currently an early investigator (e.g., dissertation or within 5 years of terminal degree).
- 3. In the case of PhD students, evidence that the proposed study has met the requirements for the dissertation and that it can be supported at the institution/facility proposed.
- 4. A research mentor must be clearly identified and the application must document his/her involvement in the study design and execution, as well as training and mentorship.

Expectations

- 1. Funded grants results are expected to be presented at the APOS annual meeting and to be submitted for publication to a peer reviewed journal.
- 2. Grant recipients are expected to acknowledge the Mattie Miracle Cancer Foundation (funding agency) in presentations and in publications.

Letter of Intent (LOI) Components

- Include a brief overview of the project proposed that addresses one or more of the Pediatric Standards of Care for children with cancer and their families. Describe how the standard you chose will be implemented into practice.
- Similar to an abstract, include purpose, aims, methods, and outcome measures in one page. Include a one-year timeline of tasks and objectives to be completed
- Impact Statement (2 sentences) State how this project will impact pediatric psychosocial standards of care and Mattie Miracle's mission to ensure optimal psychosocial care for children with cancer and their families throughout the cancer trajectory.
- Innovation Statement (2 sentences) State how this project is a novel approach to childhood cancer research.
- Identify Mentorship Team/Plan (Identify mentor(s) and describe general plan for mentorship).
- The LOI should be 450 words maximum

LOI Submission

- The Annual Award is available for up to \$10,000. Applications must be dated no later than the due date.
- Letter of Intent (LOI) Due Date is April 10, 2018.
- Notification will be sent by April 24, 2018.
- Upon invitation, the full application will be due June 25, 2018.

https://apos-society.org/early-career/apos-early-career-grants

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