



INDIAN SOCIETY OF CLEFT LIP, PALATE AND CRANIOFACIAL ANOMALIES

“ISCLPCA Fellow”

Background and Philosophy: Though India has many high volume centers, there is very little clinical research being done in proportion to the clinical material available. Without clinical research and looking at the outcome, the scope of improving quality care and improvising new protocols is limited. In addition, there is paucity of fund to support these young professionals who are keen to do research. Keeping this in mind, it was decided to institute a grant for the Research Fellowship.

The Research Project will be of Clinical research and not basic science research.

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| 1 | Name of the Fellowship | <i>“Cleft 2017 Clinical Research Fellowship awarded by ISCLP CA”.</i> |
| 2 | Purpose/ Objective | To promote, nurture and enhance high quality clinical research pertaining to care for individuals with cleft lip and palate and craniofacial anomalies |
| 3 | Duration of the fellowship | 12 months |
| 4 | Candidate Eligibility | |
| | Who Can apply | Any Life member/ Eligible Candidate member* of ISCLPCA |
| | Age Limit of the Applicant | 45 years |
| | Completed Graduation/Post Graduation/PhD | Not later than 5 years after completion of the degrees |
| | Full time/ Part time | Fellowship can be taken as full time or part time opportunity. However, preference shall be given to those taking it as Full time opportunity |
| | Foreign Fellow | Should be an Associate member |



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| | Specialties | Plastic Surgery Maxillofacial Surgery Speech Language Pathologist and Therapist Orthodontics Pedodontics Prosthodontics ENT Clinical Psychology Nursing |
| 5 | Requirement of the Center | |
| | Centre | Which is providing comprehensive cleft care for at least a period of 5 years It can be a government/semi government/ private organization |
| | Availability of clinical material | Minimum 3 in indexed journal of repute as first or second author. |
| | Frequency of application | Same center will not apply for the fellowship after a successful application for the next 3 years |
| 6 | Requirement of the Guide | |
| | | Life Member/ Associate member of good standing of ISCLPCA for at least 5 years |
| | | Additional training in research obtained will enhance the eligibility of the guide |
| | | Guide should have published at least 5 papers in peer reviewed <u>pubmed</u> indexed journal |
| | | Fellowship grant will not be given to the same guide for consecutive years |



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| 7 | Requirement of the research proposal | |
| | Research proposal | <p>Well defined aims and objectives Novelty of the area Possibility of the results (outcome) adding to existing knowledge Good and robust methodology Appropriate statistical methods Appropriate ethical approval from a recognized ethical committee- Candidate and guide's responsibility Any extra expenditure anticipated - is planned and provisioned in the proposal</p> |
| | Interim report | The fellow needs to send interim report 6 monthly to the association to approve the further continuation of fellowship. |
| 8 | Financial Support | |
| | Monthly financial Support | <p>Financial support/stipend to the fellow will be a total of Rs 25000 per month <i>(Rs 20000 to be paid monthly and the remaining Rs 5000 to be paid cumulatively after the submission of final project and approval of the guide).</i></p> |
| | Duration | 12 months |
| | Mode of Payment | Cheque or an online transfer of funds directly to the fellow's account/ or to the fellow with the approval of the center head. |
| | Foreign Fellow | Cheque or an online transfer of funds directly to fellows account/ or to the fellow with the approval of the center head |
| | Who will pay | The Hon Treasurer of ISCLP CA |
| | Additional Funds | If there is any other available fund with centre, they can augment the research fund. However the nomenclature, evaluation, authorship, and publication guidelines will remain same. |



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| 9 | Deadlines and Important Dates | |
| | Proposal to be submitted to the head office by the candidates | <u>31st January 2023</u> |
| | Commencement of the project | <u>1st May 2023</u> |
| 10 | Final Report, Ownership of the data, Publication and conference presentation | The final outcome should be submitted in thesis form to ISCLP CA. The research outcome will be presented at ISCLP CA meeting. |
| | | The data belongs jointly to the candidate, guide and ISCLP CA |
| | | Candidate should be the first author in publication and presentations |
| | | Guide should be the corresponding author |
| | | Funding of ISCLP CA MUST be acknowledged |
| | | At least one of the publications from this research should be published in JCLPCA. |
| 11. | Security | A Bond to be signed in Rs.10 non-judicial stamp paper and notarized that the candidate will complete the project in stipulated time, with a grace period of 6 months. The funding will be for 12 months and the candidate will not receive any remuneration during the grace period if any. |

(* *Candidate Member*- A professional who fulfils the criteria for ISCLPCA Membership and has applied for the same)

Needed

1. Application form - Candidate and Guide - Joint application form
2. PDF brochure - Fellow