



## **ASMHTP Multicultural Initiative Improvement Travel Grant, Supported by AOPO 2009/2010**

The American Society of Multicultural Health and Transplant Professionals (ASMHTP) is once again proud to announce the ASMHTP Multicultural Initiative Improvement Travel Grant for 2009/2010. This grant, funded generously by the Association of Organ Procurement Organizations (AOPO), was established in 2007 to assist members of ASMHTP who are also staff of AOPO member OPOs. The purpose of this grant is to improve multicultural outreach and donor designation/consent rates in the applicant's donation service area (DSA). The recipients of this grant may use the funds to travel to another OPO to observe, learn, and document best practices in the area of diversity and multicultural issues.

The ASMHTP Multicultural Issues Improvement Travel Grant will award up to five grants of up to \$1,000 each. Travel expenses will be reimbursed after the learning opportunity is completed and the summary of the visit has been received. The recipient will have one year to utilize the grant funding.

For more information about the grant, please contact Sandy Andrada at [sandrada@ctdn.org](mailto:sandrada@ctdn.org) or 650-759-1901. To become an ASMHTP member, please visit [www.asmhtp.org](http://www.asmhtp.org).

## **Applicant requirements:**

ASMHTP seeks grant applications from OPO staff and/or directors of employees who are:

1. Currently employed at an AOPO accredited OPO and have been employed with the OPO for at least 18 months.
2. In a position that has the ability to improve multicultural outreach and consent in their DSA.
3. Member of ASMHTP (for membership information, please visit [www.asmhtp.org](http://www.asmhtp.org)).

## **To apply for this grant:**

Submissions must include the following three (3) components:

1. Application Form
2. Executive Director Recommendation (from applicant OPO)
3. Letter of Support from Host OPO including a suggested agenda  
(letter must be written from department where focus of learning will be)

*\*Incomplete submissions will not be considered.*

Only one person per OPO will be awarded a grant. Applications must be submitted by email to ASMHTP ([info@asmhtp.org](mailto:info@asmhtp.org)) by **August 21, 2009**. Grant recipients will be notified by September 18, 2009 and formally announced at the 2009 ASMHTP Annual Conference, September 22-25 in Las Vegas.

The nominations and applications for eligible OPO employees will be scored by the ASMHTP Oversight Committee. The Committee will give preference to candidates who opt for training in multicultural initiatives improvement. Points (from 1 to 5) will be assigned based on the strength of the Executive Director's recommendation and the strength of the candidate's rationale for selection of training and/or experience.

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