

Florida Podiatric Medical Society Application for Fellowship Funding and Reimbursement



The Florida Podiatric Medical Society (FPMS) was formed in 1927 to serve as the philanthropic arm of the Florida Podiatric Medical Association (FPMA). While it is separate from FPMA, the Society was formed by and for Association membership to assist in procuring new sources of funding, which are used for scholarships, academic awards, research projects, public and professional education, disaster relief, and podiatric care for homeless and other medically underserved populations. Every member of FPMA is automatically a member of FPMS.

The FPMS Mission Statement is to encourage, solicit, and administer gifts and bequests for scientific, educational, and charitable purposes, all for the advancement of educational objectives in the field of Podiatric Medicine.

FPMS is recognized by the Internal Revenue Service as a 501(c)(3) organization. All donations made to the Society may be charitable contributions and may be fully deductible (*check with your accountant*).

FPMS Fellowship First Initiative

1. Encourage and support the initiation of fellowship training opportunities in the state of Florida.
2. Foster opportunities for Florida's future thought leaders, innovators, educators, and researchers.
3. Coordinate fellowship educational and research activities.
4. Facilitate recognition status with both ACFAS and CPME recognized and approval statuses.
5. Create the Florida Foot & Ankle Fellowship Society (FFAFS) to link all current, future, and alumni fellows and directors together for ongoing professional networking, focused, fellow-driven, and advanced training surgical workshops/labs and meetings in the state of Florida.
6. Continue to push for educational parity among advanced trained foot and ankle specialists (MD, DO, and DPM).
7. Creation of an education/research fund to allow for industry to invest via unrestricted educational grants into the furthering of fellow focused educational and research activities.
8. Achieve and maintain or coordinate with a charitable 501(c)(3) entity with a special FFAFS fellowship fund where educational grants/donations may be made via Industry.

Fellowship Funding Submission Requirements:

- 1) Funds to be allocated to Florida-based fellowship programs that qualify for ACFAS recognition or CPME approval for the following activities:
 - a) Funding research opportunities: authoring papers, posters and article submission, etc.)
 - b) Offset costs of doing an approved medical mission during fellowship.
 - c) Allocation of funds to offset alternative site training, such as national or global mini-fellowships or fellows exchange.
 - d) Sponsorship of educational activities in local communities; such as hosting journal clubs, case presentations, and cadaver workshops.
 - e) Assist with costs associated with funding a fellow's health insurance, medical malpractice, hospital fees, and state and national association fees.
 - f) Hosting of an all-fellow activity at home training site.
 - g) Funding for Fellow-driven educational conferences.
- 2) Funds may not be used for program Director fees or costs
- 3) Funds may not exceed more than 50% of the average stipend for FFAFS programs (\$60k)
- 4) Funds may not be used for non-educational activities

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All Educational Grant requests must include the following information as it applies to your grant request; the FPMS Fellowship Grant Committee will not review the request until all requirements are received. Funding is not guaranteed and is dependent upon availability of funds and at the discretion of the FPMS.

1. Program title and director:
2. Program must maintain active membership in the Florida Foot & Ankle Fellowship Society and be in good standing
3. Check payment address, city, state and zip code, on letterhead signed by an authorized officer of the entity:
4. Location(s) and/or description of educational activity or reimbursable item:
5. Accreditation of the program (if applicable):
6. Total CE/CME credit hours obtained (if applicable) and accreditation provider
7. Program's tax id (fellows' tax id if re-imbursement is made directly to fellow):
8. Dollar amount requested in this grant:
9. Detailed budget (if applicable) [must provide receipts]:
10. W9 required for all fellows (if reimbursement payment direct to fellow)
11. Expenses can only be eligible if not covered by other sources

DIRECT COSTS (May be reimbursed up to \$30k from this category depending on money available)

- ☐ CME Related (up to \$2,500)
 - ☐ Travel
 - ☐ Food and Beverages
 - ☐ Lodging
- ☐ Program/Fellow Onboarding & Credentialing
- ☐ Fellow's stipend (May only request for supplementation once other program costs have been fully reimbursed)
- ☐ Fellowship Costs
- ☐ OTHER

ADD-ON FELLOWSHIP EXPERIENCES

- ☐ Research (up to \$5k)
- ☐ Mission Trip (up to \$5k)
- ☐ Mini-fellowship experience abroad (up to \$5k)
- ☐ Fellowship exchange program (up to \$1.5K)

☐ **Any Additional Information**