

## 24<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The Union-North America Region

February 27-29, 2020

Chicago, IL, USA

# TRAVEL GRANT

Deadline for Submission: October 2, 2019

We are pleased to offer travel grants to selected individuals who would otherwise be unable to attend the 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of The Union-North American Region without financial assistance. It is highly recommended that you seek additional sources of funding. All abstract submitters new to TB care and prevention can choose to be matched with a senior mentor who will meet with you at the conference to offer professional guidance. Travel grant recipients will be given first priority for participation in this program. Those who have received travel grants in the past are eligible to apply, but first-time recipients may be given priority. Membership in NAR is also strongly encouraged (please contact Menn Biagtan at [biagtan@bc.lung.ca](mailto:biagtan@bc.lung.ca) if you require a fee waiver to join).

### Eligibility

**If you reside and work in Canada, the Caribbean, Central or South America, or the United States of America:**

- Are unlikely to be able to attend the conference without the grant
- Provide a letter signed by your supervisor or principal investigator (if applicable) explaining:
  - The benefits of attending the conference, for your public health program and/or your research study.
  - Justification for the funding request, including documentation of other funding which may help support your attendance.
  - Note: this letter is **mandatory**. No travel grants will be awarded to applicants without this letter.
- Applicants who reside and work in the United States of America or Canada must also submit an abstract.

Due to funding constraints, we are unable to fund travel for applicants from other world regions.

### Travel Grant Scoring Criteria

#### A. Outside of the United States of America and Canada

Note: applicants from high-incidence settings are not required to submit an abstract to apply for

travel grants.

Work in public health program or research project relevant to TB control	0-6 points
Demonstration of need	0-6 points
Description of activities	0-3 points
How attendance will advance work	0-5 points
New attendee	2 points (additional)

### **B. Within the United States of America and Canada**

Funding for U.S. and Canadian residents is extremely limited, and will be restricted to top-ranked abstracts with clear justification of financial need and complementary funding sources.

Work in public health program or research project relevant to TB control	0-2 points
Demonstration of need	0-4 points
Description of activities	0-2 points
How attendance will advance work	0-2 points
Quality of submitted abstract, as evaluated by the Abstract committee (0.5 x abstract score)	0-10 points
New attendee	2 points (additional)

### **Application**

- Apply online at <https://form.jotform.com/lungassociation/2020travel> (preferred method).
- You may also submit via e-mail to [tbconference@bc.lung.ca](mailto:tbconference@bc.lung.ca). If submitting by e-mail, please use the [travel grant submission form](#).
- Submission deadline is October 2, 2019.

### **Notification**

Successful candidates will be notified of acceptance by e-mail on November 8, 2019.

### **For more information, contact:**

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