Markey Cancer Center Trainee Travel Award Information

**Purpose of the award:**

The Markey Cancer Center (MCC) is committed to furthering the research interests of young investigators and to developing their research skills through networking at national meetings. This program specifically supports the travel of MCC trainees to present an abstract at a national scientific conference or meeting.

**Amount of the award:**

Up to 12 awards of $500 each will be funded yearly. Awards will be presented on a rolling basis throughout the academic year until funds are exhausted.

**Eligibility:**

Trainees are eligible to apply for this award provided he/she:

- Is an undergraduate student, graduate student, postdoctoral scholar, postdoctoral fellow, medical resident or medical fellow
- Works in the lab of and/or is mentored by a Cancer Center member or affiliate
- Is first author on an abstract selected for oral or poster presentation

**How to Apply:**

Email the completed application and meeting abstract to Erin Oakley (erinjoakley@uky.edu) by the 15th day of the month prior to the month of travel.

Request a letter of support from primary mentor stating applicant’s qualifications, contribution to the project, and how the travel experience will enhance the applicant’s training and/or career. **Letters must be emailed directly to Erin Oakley from the mentor** by the 15th day of the month prior to the month of travel. Mentor letters should be no longer than one page (1/2 page preferred).

**Criteria for selection of awardees:**

Award recipients will be selected based on the scientific quality of the abstract, the relevance and significance of the research to the Cancer Center mission, as well as letter of support from primary mentor.
Additional Information:

Trainees may not receive more than one travel award per fiscal year.

One of the following must be submitted to Dr. Oakley before funds are distributed:

- Official e-mail or invitation from the conference stating that you have been invited to present.
- Screen capture of the page from the conference agenda listing your name, presentation title and date.
- Copy of the specific page from the agenda listing your name, presentation title and date.

If awarded, we ask that you acknowledge MCC for travel funds: [Name/Initials] received a travel award from the Markey Cancer Center’s Cancer Center Support Grant (NCI P30CA177558).

We request that you provide outcome details of your abstract if your work results in a publication.

PLEASE CONTACT DR. OAKLEY BEFORE MAKING TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS OR PURCHASES.