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MPTA Institute Small Research Grant Program & Application

As part of its role in supporting and encouraging research in the State of Michigan, the MPTA Institute for Education and Research has a small research grant program that is intended to provide out-of-pocket expenses/seed money for either basic or clinical research related to physical therapy and to encourage the development of new projects.

Funding: Two to five grants of \$100 to \$250 each will be awarded annually. Additional grants may be awarded if funding is available. All of the money must be directly used for the research study (it cannot be used for future costs associated with a presentation such as conference registration, travel expenses, poster printing, etc.).

Eligibility: Professional membership in the MPTA is required for the primary investigator. The primary investigator must also be a licensed physical therapist/physical therapist assistant or a PT/PTA student (with an established faculty advisor) within the state of Michigan.

Deadline: Application deadline is August 1st of each year.

Submission: Applications must be submitted electronically to mpta@mpta.com. In the Subject Box, write: Institute Small Research Grant Application.

Commitment: Grant recipients must agree to present their research findings at the MPTA Fall Conference after completion of the study. Researchers should submit an abstract to the MPTA Fall Conference Research Committee according to established procedures and should acknowledge the Institute as a source of funding.

To apply, please provide a cover letter and an abstract as follows:

The cover letter should contain:

1. Primary Investigator = include the primary investigator's name, employer (school for students), address, telephone number, e-mail, & APTA/MPTA membership number.
2. Co-Investigators = include each co-investigator's name.
3. Projected initiation & completion dates.
4. Institutional Review Board status.
5. Budget = include an itemized table of all expenses and the anticipated monetary amount for each expense (also include all other sources of financial support for the proposed project).

The abstract should be a brief description of the proposed project including the title, purpose, methods, and potential relevance of the study to physical therapy. It should be no longer than one single-spaced page.