

## International HIV/AIDS Clinical Training Program

**Grantor:** International Society for Infectious Diseases

**Closes:** 10/15/2012

**Maximum:** \$2,500.00

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The International HIV/AIDS Clinical Training Program is an annual short course designed to educate infectious disease clinicians and other health care providers from developing and transitional countries in clinical, therapeutic, epidemiological, and public health issues relevant to the field of HIV/AIDS clinical care. Since 1998, the International Society for Infectious Diseases (ISID) has trained approximately 100 clinicians from almost 47 different countries.

Program curricula include formal lectures, case discussions and practical experience in caring for HIV-infected adults and children. Emphasis is on the various presentations of HIV infection, differential diagnosis, patient management and new and experimental protocols for the diagnosis and treatment of HIV-infected individuals with opportunistic infections and HIV-associated neoplasms. The program also covers practical laboratory experience in procedures used to diagnose HIV infection and AIDS-associated infections.

In addition, participants are also given the opportunity to spend time at the public health departments associated with the respective training institutions to learn about AIDS-related public health issues in the U.S. Participants are expected to play an active role in discussions on pressing HIV/AIDS public health issues as well as community and global responses to the epidemic.

A modest stipend of \$2,500 to help defray travel costs and living expenses is given to individuals accepted into the program. There are no course fees or tuition expenses.

### Training Sites

Participants in the program spend two weeks of intensive involvement in one of three sites. The training sites, program directors and coordinators, and phone contacts are:

Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, New York, New York

Director: Dr. Kent Sepkowitz

Contact: Melanie Carrow

Tel: (212) 639-7809

National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, Maryland

Emphasizing AIDS in infants, children and adolescents, as well as in adults

Director: Dr. Henry Masur

Contact: Missy Harris

Tel: (301) 402-0586

## Application

Community- and academic-based health care providers actively involved in the care of HIV-infected adults and/or children at their home institution may apply. Past participants have included community doctors; clinical microbiologists and virologists; infectious disease fellows; associate and assistant professors of pediatrics, infectious diseases, and internal medicine; and chairs of infection control committees in major hospitals.

Applications are reviewed by the Society in collaboration with the directors of the training sites. Selection is based on geographic considerations and the applicant's actual or planned role in caring for people with HIV disease in his or her community.

To be considered for the training program, applicants must submit the following documents:

a completed application form, including written statements

a supporting letter from the applicant's sponsoring institution (e.g., hospital administrator, clinical director, service chief, departmental chair) indicating the applicant's role in patient care and/or training of other health care providers as well as expected benefits of the applicant's training to the institution

a current CV

Three complete hard copies of the application packet must be submitted directly to:

ISID - HIV Training Program

1330 Beacon Street, Suite 228

Brookline, MA 02446

USA

The annual deadline is October 15. (Note change from Dec. 1) All applications must be received by this date. Applicants will be notified of acceptance status by December 31.

For an application form or more information, please contact ISID at [info@isid.org](mailto:info@isid.org).

**Link:** [http://test.isid.org/programs/prog\\_hiv\\_training.shtml](http://test.isid.org/programs/prog_hiv_training.shtml)