

Child Cancer Foundation's Health Professionals Grant



Child Cancer Foundation not only provides support for children and families facing the child cancer journey but also supports the Health Professionals who provide their medical treatment.

We provide grants to health professionals to support their professional development and fund projects or equipment that will help advance improvements to childhood cancer care.

What we cover

The grant will cover airfares, airport transfers, hotel accommodation for the duration of the conference (including a day either side) and conference fees.

Meals and any other costs must be covered by the applicant.

We will also consider grant funding to support advanced academic study through a New Zealand institution such as Honours, Masters or a PhD, particularly for nursing Allied Health staff outside of the two main cancer centres, Starship and CHOC. Keep an eye on our website for more information.

Subject to funding availability, Child Cancer Foundation will also consider applications for funding equipment which supports the delivery of services to children with cancer. Decisions around this will occur in May/June each year.

How to apply

Each new funding year starts on **1 July** for conference attendance between July - June. You can also apply for a conference in the following financial year.

We recommend applying in advance of payment of any costs. Please note that if you apply early, we may not be able to reimburse you until the financial year that the conference is to be held in.

To apply, please download and complete the form on our website: childcancer.org.nz/health-professionals. From 1 January 2024, we can no longer accept applications using the old form. Applications may take up to 4 to 6 weeks to be considered.

Send your completed application form to:
Child Cancer Foundation
PO Box 152
AUCKLAND 1140
Or email to:
hpgrants@childcancer.org.nz

If you have any questions, please contact hpgrants@childcancer.org.nz

Approval criteria

The purpose of the grant is to support health professionals such as doctors, nurses, social workers and other Allied Health professionals who spend the majority of their role delivering paediatric oncology services.

The Foundation welcomes applications from a rural or provincial area, where attendance at a conference or training may support services delivered to children with a cancer diagnosis and their families.

When assessing applications, prior approvals from individuals are taken into consideration and we will generally only fund one conference or training event per individual every two years. Consideration will also be given to the number of applicants received for any particular conference. We aim to leverage the fund to ensure we benefit the workforce that serves New Zealand children and their families.

By accepting funding, recipients agree to provide a written report upon return and may be asked to present at a symposium.



Case Study: Meredith Woodhouse's funding for professional development training

In 2023, Meredith Woodhouse, a Clinical Research Associate at CHOC, attended an ANZCHOG meeting in Brisbane to support her professional development training. This trip was funded through the Health Professionals Grant programme.

"The meeting provided an excellent forum for learning about and updating my knowledge of paediatric cancers and haematological malignancies," says Meredith. "It also gave me the opportunity to network and meet new colleagues from both New Zealand and Australia whilst also renewing previous relationships."

2024 International Conferences Calendar

The following conferences are provided for information only and are not endorsed by Child Cancer Foundation, nor is the list exhaustive. We recommend individuals undertake their own research in areas of particular expertise or interest.

- ☆ **6th Neuroblastoma Reserach Symposium**
21-22 March, Cambridge UK
neuroblastoma.org.uk
- ☆ **The 2024 American Society for Paediatric Haematology Oncology Conference**
3-6 April, Seattle, WA, United States
aspho.org/meetings/conference/2024-conference
- ☆ **Children's Cancer and Leukaemia Group Annual Conference**
22-24 April, Milton Keynes, United Kingdom
cclg.org.uk/annual-conference
- ☆ **5th Annual Meeting of the European Society for Paediatric Oncology**
13-17 May, Milan, Italy
siopeurope.eu
- ☆ **Advanced Paediatric Oncology Course: APOC 13 2024**
20-24 May, Edinburgh, United Kingdom
apoc.org.uk
- ☆ **ASCO 2024 Annual Meeting**
31 May-4 June, Edinburgh, Chicago II, USA
conferences.asco.org/am/attend
- ☆ **SIOP Africa**
4-8 June, Johannesburg, South Africa
siopafrika.org
- ☆ **2024 Congress of Paediatric Radiation Oncology Society (PROS)**
19-22 June, Sydney, Australia
intpros.org/congress/pros-congress-2024
- ☆ **SIOP Asia 16th Congress of the Continental Branch**
22-25 June, Yokohama, Japan
siopasia2024.umin.jp/greeting/index.html
- ☆ **3rd International Symposium on Late Complications After Childhood Cancer**
27-29 June, Lucerne, Switzerland
sprog.ch/en/.news/islccc-2024-symposium-in-lucerne/
- ☆ **21st International Symposium on Paediatric Neuro-Oncology (ISPNO2024)**
29 June-2 July, Philadelphia, PA USA
ispno2024.com
- ☆ **AACR Special Conference in Cancer Research: Paediatric Cancer**
5-8 September, Toronto, Ontario, Canada
aacr.org/meeting/aacr-special-conference-pediatric-cancer
- ☆ **Association of Paediatric Haematology/Oncology Nurses: APHON 2024 Annual Conference**
11-13 September, Salt Lake City, UT, United States
aphon.org/future-conferences
- ☆ **SIOP International Congress**
17-20 October, Honolulu, HI, United States
siop-online.org/event/siop-202
- ☆ **American Society of Hematology 66th ASH Annual Meeting and Exposition**
7-10 December, San Diego, USA
hematology.org/meetings/annual-meeting