

BSG Grants Policy

The aims of the BSG are:

- Provision of education, training and identification of best practice for all professionals treating people with sarcoma.
- Promotion of excellence in care and treatment of people with sarcoma through identification and sharing of best practice.
- Promoting and supporting research and the development of more effective treatment and care.
- Advancing awareness of sarcoma in the medical professional and the general public.

Applicant's Criteria

- All clinicians, nurses and supporting professionals who treat patients with sarcoma are invited to apply.
- Applicants must be a current member of the BSG/NSF.
- Board Member(s) who fulfil the applicant criteria may apply. If an applicant is a member of the BSG Grants Committee then the application will be separately reviewed by another Board Member.
- Applicants must commit to attend BSG Annual Conference one year on from receiving funds to report their findings.
- Must confirm on application has not applied for or received funding from another source for the funding in the application.
- Applications must be fully complete. Incomplete applications will be returned to the applicant.
- Applications received after **30th November** will not be reviewed and will be returned to the applicant.
- Successful applicants will be notified of success by **7th January** and will receive a claim form including bank account details for bank transfer. Claim forms must be received by **31st January**. Claim forms received after this date will not be granted.
- Applicants may only apply for one grant per year.

Funding for attending educational Conference and Events:

- Can apply for registration fee and/or flight and/or 1-night accommodation.
- Cannot apply for conference dinner registration fee.
- Flights/train travel must be an economy fare.
- If a successful applicant does not attend for any reason, he/she will take every step to obtain a refund of registration and/or flight and/or accommodation cost (subject to applicable cancellation terms) and any refunded monies will be reimbursed to the BSG Grants Fund on receipt of refund.

BSG Grants Committee Review Criteria

- Application period will end on the **30th November**. Applications received after this date will not be reviewed.
- Applications will be reviewed between **1st December to 15th December**.
- Outcome of application will be notified by **7th January**. For transparency, BSG will include a list of successful applicants on the website, www.britishsarcomagroup.org.uk.
- Applications must be complete and above criteria must all be confirmed by the applicant.
- If applications received do not use the entire BSG Grants Fund allocated for that year BSG reserves the right to put out a further call for applications to BSG members.
- BSG will check successful applicants attended the relevant event/conference and if not will follow-up regarding reimbursement of funds.