

PHYSIOTHERAPY RESEARCH SOCIETY

FUNDING SCHEME FOR RESEARCH

Background

The Physiotherapy Research Society is a non-profit making organisation whose main aim is to promote and support research in physiotherapy practice throughout the UK.

The PRS has funds available to support Physiotherapists wishing to conduct research or research related further study.

Up to £1,000 will be available annually to support either research specific post-graduate study, conference attendance (see terms and conditions) or to pump prime research.

Terms and Conditions

The following terms and conditions will apply:

1. Applicants must be full members of the Chartered Society of Physiotherapy
2. Applicants must be full members of the Physiotherapy Research Society for at least 1 year prior to application
3. There is no set number of bursaries each year; however the maximum bursary awarded to any individual will be £500.
4. Applications will be considered for:
 - Pump priming a small research study
 - An accredited or validated post-registration course – the applicant will have to demonstrate strong evidence of the research component of the course and that practice will be enhanced by completion of the stated course;
 - Supporting attendance at a conference – the applicant will have to demonstrate strong evidence of the benefits of attendance at the stated conference;
5. Applications for funding can cover fees, travel and accommodation.
6. Applicants must provide written support from their manager
7. Applicants must agree to provide written feedback to the PRS for the newsletter and website within 6 months of course/conference attendance and 12 months for pump priming work.
8. Support will not be given to support taught masters courses.

Application Procedure

Application forms are available via the PRS website <http://www.prs-uk.org/>

1. Applications are considered twice a year. For 2007 applications must be received by: 1st September 2007. For 2008, deadline is 1st March
2. Four printed copies of application and an electronic version should be sent to:

Dr Monica Busse
Department of Physiotherapy
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Heath Park
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3. Applications must be received by the cut-off date.
4. The application will be considered by 3 designated members of the PRS
5. Applicants will be notified of the decision at Autumn or Spring meeting.

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APPLICATION FOR FUNDING

Name:

Home Address:

Phone:

Work Address:

email:

Post Held:

CSP number:

**Funding applied for: (please state course or conference title or nature of study to be undertaken, venue and dates)
Research**

Venue / Dates

Summary Costs:

Other financial support:

Have you applied for other financial support?

If yes, how much has been requested?

Was the outcome successful?

Please supply a 1,000 word (maximum) statement to support your application. This should include the following sections:

	Title	Content
i	Career	Brief career history and future career plans (maximum 100 words)
ii a	Course / Conference outline OR	This should include evidence of the research / Clinical Effectiveness component of the course / conference / study
ii b	Research Outline	A brief outline of the research question, study aims / hypotheses, proposed methodology and analysis. Indication of how the study fits in with current work / existing literature should also be included.
iii	Dissemination	Statement of how this course / conference / study will enhance physiotherapy practice / research knowledge. You must also state how you will disseminate information gained

Please attach a signed letter of support from your manager

Please attach copy of receipt for fees (or forward when available)

Statement in support of application:

CHECKLIST FOR REFEREES

Name of Referee

Name of applicant

Course / Conference

Amount applied for

CSP member	YES		NO	
Accredited post-registration course	YES		NO	
Conference	YES		NO	
Written support from manager	YES		NO	
Has relevance to Research been demonstrated	STRONG	MODERATE	POOR	
Please comment:				
Is there a clear statement of how the applicant feels this programme will affect physiotherapy practice / research knowledge	STRONG	MODERATE	POOR	
Please comment:				
Has dissemination of information been considered	YES		NO	
Please comment				

Please rate this application:

VERY STRONG 5 4 3 2 1 VERY WEAK