

**Pediatric Residency Program
McMaster University**

Conference/Travel Policy

1. A resident is entitled to \$3,000 conference/travel funding over three years of core training in the program. Funding is pro-rated. A resident in fourth year is entitled to an additional \$1,000 funding. There is no carryover of funds from core years to fourth year. Residents are encouraged to use funding for CME throughout training. However, if a resident would like to accumulate funding for a major conference, justification must be provided to the program director for approval. Funding will be withheld if a resident does not acquire the required mandatory group learning activity (MGLA) points
2. \$1,000 of funding over residency training can be used for applicable courses.
3. \$1,000 additional funding is available once over residency training for research presentations at conferences upon approval by the program director to cover poster and travel expenses.
4. Conferences are to be approved by the director or delegate prior to attending the conference.
5. Original receipts (photocopies and visa receipts are not accepted) of expenses are to be submitted to the program within a month upon return. Tickets, boarding passes and confirmation of conference attendance are required.
6. It is expected that a resident present a formal round to pediatric residents following the conference.
7. Funding is subject to change depending on ongoing funding availability.

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