

Florida Organization of Nurse Executives
Research Grant
2009

The FONE Board of Directors and members of the FONE Research Committee are pleased to announce the availability of a FONE Research Grant. The purpose of the grant is to support novice or beginning investigators in conducting nursing administration and leadership research.

One grant, in the amount of \$1000, will be awarded annually at the Spring FONE meeting. As a condition of receiving the award, recipients will agree to present the findings of their study at a subsequent FONE meeting and provide progress reports to the FONE Research Committee every six months for the duration of the project. Grant recipients are encouraged to attend the FONE Fall meeting to accept the award in person and provide a brief overview of the proposed study.

Applicant Criteria:

1. Applicant must be a FONE member
2. To qualify as a beginning researcher, applicants may *not* have:
 - A. Been awarded more than \$15,000 in external research funding, **AND**
 - B. More than three research based publications in peer reviewed journals in the research topic area
3. Completed formal preparation in the conduct of research or supervised by a mentor with experience in conducting research.
4. Students in Master's or Doctoral programs are eligible to apply for the Grant award. A faculty mentor must agree to supervise the student in the project.

Project Criteria:

1. The project must be focused on nursing administration/leadership and aligned with one or more the strategic priorities for the Florida Organization of Nurse Executives, which include:
 - A. Design of future patient care delivery systems: Nurse leaders are active and recognized leaders in the design, implementation, and evaluation of future patient care delivery systems that leverage human, financial, and technological resources to produce high-quality, safe, and patient-centered healthcare.
 - B. Healthful practice environments: FONE and its members are state leaders in creating positive and healthful practice environments.
 - C. Leadership: FONE is the state leader in strengthening nursing leadership across the continuum of care in all health care settings.

- D. Positioning nurse leaders as valued healthcare executives and managers:
Nurse leaders are critical to the effective and efficient delivery of safe patient care within healthcare organizations across the continuum of care.
2. The scope of the project must be sufficiently focused to assure completion within 24 months after receiving the award.
 3. The project must represent a new study or an enhancement to a study in process. Funds may not be used for projects in which data collection has been completed.
 4. Grant funds may not be used for investigator salary support.
 5. Only direct costs are allowed under the grant application. No indirect costs will be funded under this grant.

Application Process:

1. All applications and supporting materials for this grant are submitted electronically to FONEXO@aol.com
2. The application must conform to the formatting and page length guidelines as stipulated by FONE (attached).
3. The application must be assembled as a single PDF file prior to transmission.
4. The Applicant must include a signed statement indicating that they meet all criteria for eligibility for the grant (see applicant criteria above)
5. The deadline for submission is midnight (EST), September 1, 2009.

Review and Decision Process:

1. All applications will be reviewed for completeness. Applications deemed incomplete will not be reviewed for funding.
2. Applications will be reviewed by a subcommittee of the FONE Research Committee. This subcommittee and the Research Committee may request assistance from outside reviewers with specific expertise as needed.
3. Decisions for each application will be communicated on or before October 5. Applicants will not receive a detailed critique of the submission.
4. The review subcommittee submits a recommendation to the FONE Research Committee, who in turn will submit the recommendation to the FONE Executive Board. The final decision for the award of the grant rests with the FONE Executive Board.

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