2015 Philip R. Dodge Young Investigator Award

The Child Neurology Society announces an award for basic science or clinical research by promising young investigators who are members of the Society. Applications will be judged on the basis of originality, scientific merit, succinctness and relevance. The recipient of the award will receive a grant-in-aid of $20,000 and will be invited to present their work at the 44th Annual Meeting of the Child Neurology Society, October 7-10, 2015 at Gaylord National Resort (outside of Washington, DC).

Eligibility Criteria
1. The applicant completed a pediatric neurology residency on or after June 30, 2010 or a neurodevelopmental disability residency on or after June 30, 2011, and graduated medical school on or after May 2005, (or after May 2004 if the applicant completed a 3 year pediatric residency).
2. The scientific work is mainly the result of the applicant’s efforts.
3. The applicant is a Junior or Active member of the Child Neurology Society.
4. Candidates should consider applying before their final year of eligibility.

Procedure
1. Submit a single electronic copy of a research proposal to the Executive Director of the CNS. The committee will be impressed with clarity of expression and succinctness of style and a Research Plan that can be accomplished within two years.
2. Prepare the proposal in accordance with the following content and format guidelines (applications that do not adhere to the guidelines will be returned without review):

   CONTENT
   a. Page 1: Title Page with contact information and 250 word Abstract
   b. Page 2: Specific aims
   c. Page 3-4: Work by others
   d. Page 5-7: Work by investigator
   e. Page 8-11: Research plan
   f. Page 12-13: References
   g. Page 14-15: Curriculum vitae
   h. Letters of Recommendation (see below)

   FORMAT
   • Format: Double-spaced, Arial, 11 pt, 0.5” margins.
   • Letters of Recommendation:
     • Submit one letter from the director of the applicant’s child neurology training program and b) one letter from applicant’s scientific advisor. A third optional letter of recommendation may be included.
     • At least one of these letters should include a statement officially verifying the applicant’s eligibility and the willingness of the institution to accept the award without indirect costs.
   • No budget is required. No Appendix is permitted.

3. Convert the entire proposal to a PDF format and email to nationaloffice@childneurologysociety.org.
4. The complete proposal must be received on or before April 15, 2015. The abstract may also be submitted to the CNS Scientific Selection Committee for consideration as a Poster or Platform Presentation.
5. The applicant will be informed of the Committee’s decision by July 1, 2015.
6. The Awardee should ask a senior member of the Society to deliver a brief (five-minute) introduction. The awardee will then be expected to deliver a formal twenty-minute presentation to the CNS membership at the 44th CNS Annual Meeting.
7. All correspondence should be sent to: Roger Larson, CAE, Executive Director, Child Neurology Society 1000 West County Road E, Ste 290 St. Paul, MN 55126 (E: rblarson@childneurologysociety.org)