USCLC Young Physician Mentorship Program

Background:
There is a dearth of young physicians embracing Cutaneous Lymphomas as a special interest. The care of these patients requires special expertise to manage their complex needs, skills not necessarily gained within a residency or fellowship program. The USCLC is an organization of physicians dedicated to fostering the care of patients with cutaneous lymphoma, and we feel it is paramount to support those physicians learning to care for these challenging patients. Developing strong mentor/mentee relationships will help encourage bright and motivated dermatologists, pathologists, oncologists, and radiation oncologists to pursue a lifelong dedication to taking care of lymphoma patients.

The USCLC mentorship program will allow interested physicians to explore the field of cutaneous lymphoma with an experienced mentor while also gaining practical knowledge about the workflow of cutaneous lymphoma multidisciplinary clinics. The grant funds provided by Therakos will allow funding of up to four different mentees over the next two years and will be used to support each mentee during the time of their cutaneous lymphoma mentorship experience.

Applicant Eligibility:
Physician who has expressed interest in specializing in cutaneous lymphoma and who is one of the following:

- 3rd year dermatology resident
- Hematology-Oncology, Dermatopathology, or Radiation Oncology Fellow
- Other physicians who later in their careers choose to specialize in cutaneous lymphoma

Required Application Materials:
1. 1-2 page summary of the applicant’s past experience, current standing, goal of the mentor experience, and long-term goals as they relate to cutaneous lymphoma. Please state your preferred mentor, the expected length of the experience (this may range from 2-4 weeks), and whether you have already discussed this possible mentorship experience with the proposed mentor. (The USCLC will be happy to suggest a mentor based on the applicant’s goals if one is not known to you)
2. Budget (grant maximum is $3000 per applicant, one time award only)
3. CV including current phone number, address, and email
4. Letter of support from Program Director or Department/Division Chair if applicable

**The 4 application requirements above should be submitted in one email as labeled attachments to Tara Morrison at the USCLC tara@theassociationcompany.com.**
Other information:

- Rolling applications will be accepted rather than a strict deadline as the timing of these experiences will need to be flexible.
- Updates on the experiences and if grants are currently available will be posted on the USCLC website.
- Mentors will be on a volunteer basis either suggested by the mentee or by the USCLC. No more than one mentee per mentor per year.
- The USCLC Young Physician Committee will review applications and make decisions on the grants along with the Board of Directors of the USCLC.
- A 1-2 page summary of your mentorship experience will be required within 60 days of completion of the mentorship.
- Work must be completed and any funds of grant used by mentee by 12 months from award date and funds not utilized for costs associated with the mentorship experience must be returned to USCLC.

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