

EfCCNa Research Grants



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Aim

The research grants of the EfCCNa are aimed primarily at encouraging European research that focuses on critically ill patients, their relatives, or the staff and services that provide for them.

The grants are open to members of National Associations that are members of the EfCCNa.

Funding

The federation has only modest funds available each year and therefore limits the maximum for individual grants to 4.000 €. Priority will be given to those applications that fall within the top 10 European research priorities for critical care nursing.¹

Part funding proposals (in conjunction with other grant sources) will be considered but must be accompanied by

- a clear indication of how EfCCNa funds will be allocated and contribute to the overall project
- when the decisions on the non-EfCCNa portion of the funding would be available
- and how the project would proceed if only EfCCNa funds were available

The EfCCNa will consider grant applications for projects where applications have been made to other funding bodies. Applicants who have submitted the same or a similar project to other funding bodies, or plan to do so within six months of the closing date should indicate when these funding bodies will reach a decision.

Application

Applications should be made to the EfCCNa Board of Officers using the standard application form available from the EfCCNa website.

One Application to be sent electronically to: f.paulus@amc.uva.nl

The closing date for consideration of research grants is **1st September**.

Successful grant holders will be informed mid-January in the following year.

For any queries please contact f.paulus@amc.uva.nl

Review

Applications will undergo a review process involving both internal and external reviewers. The Board will review the applications and reviews, and depending on the circumstances should arrive at a decision.

However, in exceptional circumstance applicants may be required to participate in a further stage of the selection process. This would usually entail clarification by written (email) communication.

The final decision to award will be made by the Board and acknowledged in writing. Feedback will be provided to all applicants.

The following aspects of the proposal are scored:

Originality of work

- Quality of study design/methods
- Proposed analysis
- Feasibility within timescale
- Relevance to intensive care

This score remains confidential to the Board. The decision of the Board will be final and binding. There is no appeals process.

Conditions

It is a condition of the award of a grant that the EfCCNa is (1) acknowledged in all presentations and publications of work resulting from the research; (2) provided with a set of PowerPoint slides to enable EfCCNa to see how its awards have benefitted critical care. Progress reports will require completion within 6 months of initiation, mid-term and within 6 - 12 months of completion of the project.

Reference

1. Blackwood B, Albarran JW, Latour JM. Research priorities of adult intensive care nurses in 20 European countries: a Delphi study. *Journal of Advanced Nursing* 2010; 67(3): 550–562. doi: 10.1111/j.1365-2648.2010.05512

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