



NASPGHAN FOUNDATION/CPNP Nutrition Research Grant

Submission Deadline: July 1, 2026

Description and Objective

This one-year grant is available to pediatric dietitians to support research and quality improvement (QI) activities that have the potential to advance nutrition care of patients and families of children with nutritional disorders.

Eligibility

CPNP applicants must:

- Be the primary investigator in the study.
- Be a Registered Dietitian with a minimum of a Bachelor's degree and state licensure/certification as applicable.
- Be a full member of CPNP in good standing and maintain membership for the duration of the grant and research process.
- Be employed, either full time or part time and have a sustained interest in the field of pediatric nutrition in the United States of America, Mexico or Canada.
- Not have R01, CIHR, P01 (or similar) grant funding; recipients of US mentored grants such as a K08, K23, or equivalent Canadian and Mexican National Foundation grants are eligible to apply.
- Not hold funding from any granting agency for a project with overlapping scientific objectives at the time the grant is made or during the one-year period of the grant.
- Plan to obtain approval from their Institutional Review Board/Review Ethics Board if applicable. Monies will not be distributed until IRB approval is obtained except for those IRB's requiring upfront fees with the initial application.

Grant Term and Stipulations

- The NASPGHAN Foundation will award grants up to \$10,000 for one year to successful CPNP member(s).
- Institutional indirect costs are not permitted.
- Grant funds may be allocated for conference travel expenses, up to \$1,000. Funds for grants awarded in 2026 will be disbursed in mid-December 2026.
- A complete financial statement and scientific progress report are required at the conclusion of the grant. The recipient will be required to indicate how the funds were used and the accomplishments achieved during the project.
- All publications resulting from work supported by the NASPGHAN Foundation must acknowledge support by the relevant funding mechanism.
- The awardee must attend the 2026 NASPGHAN Annual Meeting to accept the award. Research findings will be expected to be presented by the grant recipient at the 2028 CPNP Annual Symposium.

Review Procedures

Each grant application will be reviewed by CPNP members with grant review experience and NASPGHAN Research Committee members. Ad hoc reviewers may be invited to review based on application content. Primary emphasis will be given to scientific strengths, innovation of the proposed work, impact on nutrition care of children and families, sustainability after initial funding, reasonable budget in relation to the scope of project, generalizability to other quality improvement practices, and commitment of the applicant and applicant's employing institution.

Members of the review panel will follow strict conflict of interest guidelines. Contact between the applicant and committee members regarding applications is strictly prohibited and will lead to potential disqualification.



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Application INSTRUCTIONS

FAILURE TO ADHERE STRICTLY TO THESE GUIDELINES COULD RESULT IN THE DISQUALIFICATION OF YOUR APPLICATION

Applications for the NASPGHAN Foundation/CPNP Nutrition Research Grant must be submitted by July 1, 2026, through the NASPGHAN Foundation website. Completed applications must include the following:

- 1) A biographical sketch or curriculum vitae of the project leader and co-investigator(s). This should include the educational background and relevant professional experience, including any prior experience in research and/or quality improvement. Template & instructions located here: <https://grants.nih.gov/grants/forms/biosketch.htm>.
- 2) Research Plan (No application more than THREE single spaced pages will be reviewed)
 - **Objective and Hypothesis:** State clearly the purpose of the study including how the project makes an original contribution to nutrition care of children & families. State concisely what the research and/or QI project is intended to accomplish and/or what hypothesis will be tested
 - **Needs Assessment:** Why is this project important? Provide the background for the project, evaluate existing knowledge, and identify gaps that the project is intended to fill.
 - **Target population:** Describe the target population & characteristics of the subjects, the rationale for sample size/power calculation, the sampling procedure & the setting for data collection.
 - **Implementation:** How the plan will be implemented and by whom.
 - **Method:** Describe the procedure(s) to be used for proposed data collection.
 - **Tools and/or Instruments (i.e. Questionnaire):** Address how any tool will be used. Any instrument used should be included in the appendix (appendix is not counted towards the three-page limit)
 - **Outcome Measures:** What you specifically plan to assess or develop? What are your next steps based on your outcome?
 - **Budget:** Include a detailed description that includes personnel, supplies, computer costs, stipends, etc.