

# CROHN'S & COLITIS NEW ZEALAND IBD NURSES INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL AWARD.

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## The Grant

- *To provide an international travel grant up to NZ \$5,000*
- *Awarded to a nurse involved in the treatment and management of IBD patients to attend a relevant international conference with a focus on Inflammatory Bowel Disease.*
- *The goal of the grant is to improve the quality of life of patients with IBD in New Zealand through the continuing education of IBD nurses practicing in New Zealand.*

## Objectives of the Travel Award

- To allow New Zealand IBD nurses to participate in international forums for the exchange of experience, expertise and ongoing research
- To assist IBD nurses to operate at the top of their scope of practice in this critical field
- To raise awareness of the importance and necessity of IBD Nurses in the support, ongoing care, and treatment of those with IBD

## Process and criteria

- The travel grant criteria and application process are available on the website of Crohn's & Colitis NZ Charitable Trust (<https://crohnsandcolitis.org.nz>)
- Applications need to be submitted to Crohn's & Colitis NZ electronically at [info@crohnsandcolitis.org.nz](mailto:info@crohnsandcolitis.org.nz)

- The application requires a copy of the applicant's CV, nursing registration, and a one-page summary outlining the international education event, benefits of attendance, outcomes, and an explanation how information from the conference will be shared with the greater NZ IBD nursing community.
- The application should also include a separate budget outlining costs. Where costs exceed the travel grant, please include a summary of how these costs will be met.
- All applications are to be received by September 30 – 5:00 pm. Applications received after this date will not be considered.
- The recipient of the award will be announced at the NZ Annual Scientific Meeting of the Gastroenterology Society in November, by Crohn's & Colitis NZ and AbbVie.
- A subcommittee of Crohn's & Colitis NZ Charitable Trust will select the recipient of the award and their decision will be final.
- The conference, travel and educational event must be approved by Crohn's & Colitis NZ. The conference agenda will have no less than 75% educational material and a minimum of 16 hours educational content.
- Following the conference, the recipient needs to provide feedback in the form of a report to Crohn's & Colitis NZ or a presentation to the IBD nursing community to increase and encourage relevant dialogue and education.
- Acceptance of the award indicates agreement to participate in any publicity, social media coverage, images, and promotion of future awards.
- The flights, accommodation and registration will be arranged by AbbVie in line with their standard sponsorship terms and conditions.
- **The applicant will be a registered nurse with current registration in NZ who is actively involved in treating patients with IBD.**

Crohn's & Colitis New Zealand is appreciative of the resources and financial support provided by AbbVie to make this award possible. We are grateful for their continued investment in Crohn's & Colitis New Zealand that supports our mission in making lives more livable for those with IBD.

