



## **The Society of Surgeons of Trinidad & Tobago**

### **Scholarship Application Form**

The Society of Surgeons of Trinidad & Tobago recognizes the need for local surgical trainees to receive exposure to surgical technology not available locally. Obtaining this overseas training and exposure can be a financial burden. It is hoped that the scholarship will assist local trainees by facilitating some financial assistance towards obtaining this exposure with the aim of improving the quality of surgical services in Trinidad & Tobago.

The Scholarship will be to a maximum of TT \$ 10 000 per awardee each year.

This scholarship is provided to the SOSTT from both internal and external funding and in conjunction with the Medical Protection Society (MPS). The executive and members of the SOSTT will be responsible for the administration of the scholarship.

All applicants for the scholarship must provide adequate evidence of having met all of the eligibility criteria prior to being considered.

All applicants must agree to accept the decision of the SOSTT as legal and binding.

There will be no legal action taken against the SOSTT by any applicant.

All Applicants will receive written notification of the decision.

Upon completion of the Scholarship, the successful applicant will be expected to provide a report at the SOSTT that may be chosen for presentation at the AGM.

The Application Pack includes the following information:

- 1) Instructions:- Including Eligibility and Criteria for selection.
- 2) Application form.
- 3) Two (2) Surgical Referees with appropriate recommendations.

# Instructions

## **Eligibility Criteria**

The Applicant must fulfill all of the following criteria:

1. The Applicant must be a Resident Ordinary Member OR a Resident Associate Member of SOSTT.
2. The Applicant must provide adequate evidence of enrollment in an accepted postgraduate surgical training programme.
3. The Applicant must provide evidence of being a Citizen of Trinidad & Tobago.
4. Citizens of other CARICOM Countries will be considered, but only if there is no suitable applicant from a citizen of Trinidad & Tobago. This is at the sole discretion of the SOSTT Executive.
5. The Applicant must complete the approved application from the SOSTT and provide all of the details requested.
6. The applicant should disclose any other funding in a grant application.
7. Grants are given on merit and need.
8. Deadline to be 4 weeks before the course/ event.
9. The executive to meet if 3 or more applications are pending.

## **Use of Scholarship**

The SOSTT Scholarship shall be used for the applicant to attend an event outside the Caribbean Region.

The event could include:

- a. An International Surgical Meeting, but only if the applicant is presenting a paper or poster of local or regional interest.
- b. An approved surgical training course that is not available locally. The applicant will be required to provide details of this course including a description of how this training would benefit the local population.
- c. The Scholarship can be used to attend an International meeting or conference where the applicant does not have a suitable paper or poster to present, but it would be preferred.

## **Criteria for selection.**

The applicant must meet ALL of the eligibility criteria.

The Executive of the SOSTT will interview all suitable applicants in person.

**The Applicant unreservedly accepts that:**

1 No liability or responsibility for any loss or damage howsoever arising shall attach to the donors of the scholarship as a result of the grant of same.

2 No cause of action shall be maintainable in any court in Trinidad & Tobago or elsewhere as a result of the refusal to grant a scholarship to any applicant as a decision to refuse is final and binding on the parties and shall not be reviewable by any court aforesaid"

**If enrolled in multiple programmes please provide similar information for each.**

Name of Event (Meeting, Conference or Training Course) to be attended:

Name of Poster or Presentation to be given:

Location of Event:

Dates of Event:

Event registration cost:

Total estimated cost of attending event (Please attach a breakdown):

Travel costs

Hotel Accommodation and duration

The application must be accompanied by a current Curriculum vitae.

This must include:

1. Exact dates of all current and previous positions.
2. Named Consultant Supervisor.
3. A record of all Papers and posters presented.
4. A record of all meetings attended.
5. Two (2) Surgical Referees with appropriate recommendations.

The Application form and all relevant documents must be submitted electronically to the SOSTT Executive via E-mail to:

Dr Rasheed Adam    rash97@live.com

Dr Ian Ramnarine    triniheart@gmail.com

Submissions must be received at least four (4) months prior to the meeting date.  
Applications reaching after this time will not be considered.

**The Society of Surgeons of Trinidad & Tobago**  
**Scholarship Application Form**

Name:	
Date of Birth:	
Mailing Address:	
Telephone nos:	Home:                      Mobile:                      Work:
Email address:	
Current Hospital :	

<b>Qualifications</b>	
Qualifications Registered with MBTT and year:	
Any other Qualifications:	
Current work address:	
Current Position of Employment:	

Name of Postgraduate Surgical Programme in which you are enrolled:

Dates registered in programme:

Programme Director's Name:

Programme Director's Authority/Position

Address:

Telephone:

Email address:

