Tips for a Successfully Funded Application

Do Apply For:

- The mentorship experience will allow the applicant to begin to develop both an area of expertise not available in the mentee’s own training program and a relationship with a new mentor.
- Ideally, the mentorship experience will prepare the applicant to contribute to the specialty of dermatology, the field medicine and/or society.
- Virtual clinical experiences with leading clinicians with expertise in diverse areas of aesthetic dermatology such as fillers, neuromodulator, laser, body contouring, etc.
- Virtual nonclinical experiences to develop expertise in aspects of aesthetic dermatology and medicine which may include, but are not limited to, learning about minimally invasive treatments and therapies such as, laser hair removal, hair transplantation, tattoo removal, laser therapy, cosmetic filler injections, and radiation therapy.
- Fees for publications, texts, access to online image or educational database, etc. that would enhance/supplement rotation and development.
- Fees incurred by the purchase of personal equipment required to accomplish/enhance the mentorship experience (example: reference manual, up to one textbook, other supplies, etc.)
- Unique and worthy proposals that may not otherwise receive funding.
- Applicants should have a proven track record of purposeful activities in residency (publications, presentations at meetings, other visible contributions beyond the requirements for residency activities)
- The applicant’s leadership qualities should be evident in the application often reinforced in the letters of recommendation.
- Each applicant may request up to $2,000.

Don’t Apply For:

- Projects involving foreign travel unless a suitable mentor with the desired expertise cannot be found in the country of origin.
- Salary or fringe benefit support (for mentee, mentor, any other individual).
- Fees paid to the mentor or his/her institution for the mentorship experience.
- Fees for the purchase of a dermascope
- Fees related to publication development or submission, reprints, etc.
- Projects in which the applicant joining a department faculty will learn a new skill that will benefit the department directly (such as setting up a hair clinic). The department would be expected to underwrite the costs for such a training experience.
- Any support for established fellowships
- Fees (eg. Institutional Review Board, etc.) or equipment expenses associated with any research projects (clinical, bench, other).
- Non-educational personal expenses that may include, but are not limited to, clothing/uniform, laundering/dry cleaning, childcare, medical expenses, personal grooming and/or food.