



CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

2027 MOASC's Cary Presant, M.D. Young Investigator Award

The Medical Oncology Association of Southern California, Inc. (MOASC) is accepting applications for the 2027 Cary Presant, MD Young Investigator Award.

MOASC is a California nonprofit mutual benefit 501(c)(6) corporation established by a group of oncologists dedicated to advancing and protecting access to optimal cancer care. Its mission is to ensure that cancer patients have access to the care they need while supporting oncology physicians in providing high-quality, comprehensive treatment.

The association is governed by a volunteer Board of Directors, whose members serve as fiduciaries responsible for guiding MOASC toward a sustainable future. The Board provides strategic oversight by establishing sound, ethical, and legally compliant governance and financial management policies, ensuring responsible stewardship of the organization's resources, and supporting initiatives that advance MOASC's mission.

PROGRAM SUMMARY

The proposed research project should be a new project intended to support clinical and translational oncology research. Projects should account for the grant's 1-year term and the funding allocation provided, and will be assessed on both academic merit and feasibility. The funding decision will be made by the Board of Directors.

APPLICATION DATES

- Submission Deadline: Monday, November 6, 2026
- Decision Date: Monday, February 8, 2026
- Present at Annual Meeting: Saturday, March 20, 2027
- Start of Grant Term: Thursday, July 1, 2027
- End of Grant Term: Friday, June 30, 2028

APPLICANT ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

Applicants must:

- Have an MD or DO degree with an intent to practice clinical oncology
- Have initiated or completed an ACGME-accredited fellowship program in hematology and/or oncology
- Be no more than 7 years beyond completion of fellowship training
- Practice at a Southern California institution for the full duration of the award (1 year)

APPLICATION DETAILS

The amount of funding available for this grant is \$25,000. One grant will be awarded. The duration allows for a 1-year term. The funding provided herein is intended to support clinical and translational work to advance the treatment approach for patients with cancer.

The format of the cancer research grant request is as follows:

1. Cover Page to Include:
 - a. Project Title
 - b. Term of the Research Project
 - c. Type of Cancer
 - d. Contact information of Principal Investigator/Mentor

APPLICATION DETAILS (cont.)

The format of the cancer research grant request is as follows: (cont.)

2. Please limit to *one page* and submit the following elements (each grant must have the following):
 - a. Grant Proposal - *One Page:*
 - i. Project Title
 - ii. Principal Investigator/Mentor
 - iii. Specific Aims
 1. Please provide 1-3 specific aims
 - iv. Background
 - v. Methods
 - vi. Anticipated Results
 - vii. Potential Pitfalls/Future Directions
3. Please limit to *one page* and submit the following elements:
 - a. Applicant Background - *One Page:*
 - i. Career Goals
 1. Describe the career you hope to pursue within hematology/oncology
 - ii. Statement of Need
 1. Describe how this funding award would help you in the context of existing grants
4. Include separately:
 - a. Investigator CV and Co-Investigator CV
 - b. Letter of support from Department Chair
 - c. Letter of support from Mentor
5. Please limit the following element to one page:
 - a. One-page budget specifying funding of \$25,000
 - i. Clearly outline the Budget and identify how allocated funds will be used
 - ii. Clearly identify any supplemental funding and any overlap and how it will be used.
 - iii. MOASC does not provide funding for facilities and administration (e.g., no indirect costs)
6. **Please e-mail the entire grant application as one PDF document (separated into sections for easy viewing) to Nichole East at neast@moasc.org**

SUCCESSFUL GRANT APPLICANT DETAILS

If accepted, progress reports will be due to MOASC within 6 months of the end of the project period.