



Fellow-In-Training (FIT) Scholarship Guidelines

In recent years, the American College of Rheumatology (ACR) has had to reduce financial support for its long tradition of attendance of all rheumatology fellows at the ACR Annual Scientific Meeting and the Educational Exchange (formerly SOTA) Meeting. In response, the PRS Board of Directors (BOD) has approved a one-time scholarship for each rheumatology fellow enrolled in an ACGME accredited Pennsylvania Adult or Pediatric Rheumatology Fellowship Program to be used to attend any ACR sponsored CME meeting.

- The fellow must be a **PRS member** and must attend the **PRS Annual Scientific Meeting** during the academic year the scholarship is given.
- The fellow may use the scholarship one time only in either the 1st, 2nd or 3rd year of fellowship. Specifically, the scholarship is intended for reimbursement for one of the opportunities listed below.
- The amount awarded will be no more than \$1,000 per FIT.
- The fellow can be reimbursed for any reasonable travel, registration, room, meals, or poster printing costs for attending the meeting. PRS reserves the right to determine what is reasonable.
- Receipts and a completed [PRS reimbursement form](#) must be submitted to the PRS **within 30 days** of the event to obtain the reimbursement.
- The nominating **Program Director must be a member of PRS** to nominate.
- Rheumatology fellowship Program Directors must nominate the fellow **by July 31st** to be considered and must certify that the fellow will not be double reimbursed (double dipping).

The following meetings are eligible for reimbursement:

- ACR/ARHP Annual Meeting
- Winter Rheumatology Symposium
- Musculoskeletal Ultrasound Course for Rheumatologists
- ACR Education Exchange (Formerly SOTA)
- CARRA (Childhood Arthritis and Rheumatology Research Alliance)
- Pediatric Rheumatology Symposium (PRYSM)