

FAQ Chiesi USA Grant Program

1. Are you currently accepting grant request applications?
 - a. Chiesi USA Inc. is always accepting grant requests through our grant portal at www.Chiesi.versic.com/login . For additional questions:
 - i. Grant submission process please contact Hayden Pierce at hayden.pierce@chiesi.com.
 - ii. Expanded Access Program, please contact US.EAP@Chiesi.com
 - iii. Compassionate Use,
2. To be eligible for grant, must the company be an American company (we are an international company, but have offices in the USA).
 - a. For research and education proposals we are limited to evaluating proposals that are submitted by US healthcare providers (HCPs) or US healthcare organizations (HCOs) and will be managed and coordinated by US healthcare providers or healthcare organizations.
3. Are you accepting grants pertaining to education/research in a particular therapeutic area?
 - a. Chiesi USA Inc. reviews all submissions received through our grants portal at www.chiesi.versaic.com/login. Please review our Areas of Interest page to find a complete listing of current focus areas here (hyperlink). Please note that you may still submit a proposal pertaining to an unlisted focus area for review.
4. May I submit a grant request for an activity that has already started/occurred?
 - a. Chiesi USA, Inc is unable to provide funding for events where the program date has already occurred per the ACCME guidelines. We ask that all educational programs seeking support (educational CME, fellowship support, patient education/advocacy) be submitted at least 60 days prior to the event date to allow time for internal review and processing.
5. When are grants requests reviewed (weekly, quarterly etc?) and when should a submitter expect to hear back regarding a decision?
 - a. Chiesi USA's Grant Committee meets on a monthly basis and reviews proposals based on submission and program date. We ask that proposals be submitted to Chiesi through the grant portal 60 days prior to the event date to allow for sufficient review time. Chiesi will review your proposal and have a decision returned prior to the start of your program.
6. What if I submit a proposal that requires a funding decision well in advance of the program date?
 - a. Should you have a proposal that requires notification of approval well in advance of the program date, please plan accordingly and submit the proposal a minimum 90 days PRIOR to the funding decision deadline. In addition, once the proposal has been submitted, please send an email notification to Hayden Pierce (hayden.pierce@chiesi.com) clearly stating the date you need Chiesi's decision by.
7. Are there certain expenses which you will not provide funding for?
 - a. Chiesi USA reviews all grant proposals and awards funding based on the educational merit of the programs. Awarded funding is earmarked to cover the costs of the education components of the program which typically do not include, but are not limited to, the following: lavish meals, travel and lodging costs, purchase of equipment, gifts, registration fees for attendees, and recreational activities.

8. Must I sign the Chiesi USA grant agreement/LOA? What if I have my own or would like to make changes to the Chiesi template?
 - a. In order to receive funding, all organizations must sign the Chiesi USA Letter of Agreement. We do not accept other institutions LOAs for educational or research programs. Should you wish to request changes to the LOA, please note that this will extend the timeline for execution as all LOA change requests are considered and reviewed by our legal team. Any changes to the LOA or program content made by the requestor (agenda, budget, speakers) result in a withdrawal of funding.
 - b. If the research grant request is approved for funding, members of our team will be in touch and will facilitate the LOA process.

9. When may I expect to receive the awarded grant funds?

The LOA will be considered executed when signed and returned to Chiesi USA, Inc. The LOA must be returned prior to the start of the program. Payment(s) will be made upon Chiesi receipt of a fully executed agreement.