

## NIPDD Rural Fellows Scholarship Announcement 2021-2022

The RTT Collaborative Board and the cooperative of rural programs it represents are happy to offer up to three scholarships for the National Institute for Program Director Development fellowship program in academic year 2021-2022. Any director, site director, or faculty of a currently accredited or developing rural program is encouraged to apply.<sup>1</sup> The NIPDD program is described further at <http://www.afmrd.org/page/about-the-nipdd-fellowship>, including the 2019-2020 schedule of the three in-person sessions that usually comprise the formal curriculum for the program. That year's program was abbreviated, and this past year's program was cancelled because of the pandemic. Their site will likely be updated in early June in anticipation of an application opening in July for the 2021-2022 academic year.

This RTT Collaborative scholarship includes the full cost of fellowship registration only (\$5,500 in 2019-2020). Recipients are responsible for their own travel and lodging costs throughout the year and their programs are responsible for providing release time to attend the required sessions. The NIPDD registration fee does not include registration for The RTT Collaborative Annual Meeting (see below), but fellows do qualify for the reduced registration fee afforded participating programs.

### Application materials

To apply please forward the following to [longenec@ohio.edu](mailto:longenec@ohio.edu), and copy [mollicd1@ohio.edu](mailto:mollicd1@ohio.edu):

- A letter of application, addressing eligibility criteria, making the individual case for your receiving this scholarship, and agreeing to the required deliverables below
- A letter of support from the responsible individual (preferably the DIO in your institution) promising you release time to fulfill the meeting requirements for this fellowship

### In choosing the recipients of this scholarship, the selection committee will give preference for:

1. Physician faculty from an actively participating program in The RTT Collaborative
2. Program Director, PD in development, Site director, or Associate PD of any rural program (see definition in footnote below<sup>1</sup>)

Applicants will be notified of their inclusion on our rank list by June 19, 2020 and will be placed on a priority notification list so that they can apply to NIPDD when the fellowship application opens in early July. Our rank list has no bearing upon your NIPDD application to AFMRD and will not be shared.

### Expectations/Deliverables:

- Applicants selected for this scholarship must **apply to NIPDD** when applications to NIPDD open in early July 2021 and must be accepted into the program in order to receive the scholarship. The RTT Collaborative will then pay the registration fee for the top 3 awardees on our rank list.
- Recipients of this scholarship are expected to **attend all required NIPDD sessions and complete NIPDD requirements** for 2021-2022.
- By the time of the RTT Collaborative Annual Meeting in April 2022, recipients must provide to Dr. Longenecker, executive director for RTTC, a **copy of both the financial project and the academic project** that are required for successful completion of the NIPDD fellowship
- Recipients are expected to **attend and present their academic project at The RTT Collaborative Annual Meeting** in Stevenson, WA, tentatively scheduled for April 27-29, 2021. Scholarship recipients automatically qualify for a reduced registration fee to The RTT Collaborative meeting.

**Deadline for application:** Midnight (Pacific Time), June 6, 2021

For more information or questions about the application process or to apply, contact Dr. Randall Longenecker, Executive Director of The RTT Collaborative at [longenec@ohio.edu](mailto:longenec@ohio.edu).

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<sup>1</sup> Longenecker R. Rural Medical Education Programs: A Proposed Nomenclature. Journal of Graduate Medical Education June 2017;9(3):283-286. <https://doi.org/10.4300/JGME-D-16-00550.1> (Accessed 4-19-2021)