



Tuesday, January 26, 2010

**RE: MEDICAL STUDENT PROGRAM 2010**

Dear Medical Student,

As Chair of the Promotion of the Specialty Committee of the Society of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists of Canada (SOGC), I want to take this opportunity to invite you to attend the SOGC's Annual Clinical Meeting (ACM) to be held in Montreal, QC from June 2 - 6, 2010.

There will be ample opportunity to meet and network with Junior and Senior Members of the SOGC. The planning of this program is currently underway and this information will be forthcoming shortly.

SOGC is pleased to offer to the medical students (who will be chosen to participate in this program):

- free ACM conference registration
- be eligible to receive an accommodation subsidy of \$200
- be eligible to receive a travel subsidy based on your departure location (place of residence) for a maximum of:
  - \$500 if traveling from British Columbia
  - \$475 if traveling from Alberta
  - \$450 if traveling from Saskatchewan
  - \$400 if traveling from Manitoba
  - \$400 if traveling from Ontario (London)
  - \$250 if traveling from Ontario (Toronto, Hamilton)
  - \$150 if traveling from Ontario (Ottawa, Kingston)
  - \$100 if traveling from Quebec (outside of Montreal)
  - \$375 if traveling from Nova Scotia
  - \$475 if traveling from Newfoundland/Labrador

The Promotion of Specialty Committee will be choosing the participants based on the following requirements:

- **must** be a member of the SOGC
- preference given to Med 1,2 and 3
- **no prior** ACM Medical Student Program
- **must** demonstrate a genuine interest in OBGYN and therefore a short essay is required with your application. In 250 words or less, you will need to provide an essay on: "**Sweet! Why I think ObGyn is all that!**"

**NOTE: 50 students** will be given the opportunity to attend the program. Each University will be guaranteed **one** spot for a medical student in the program.

The deadline date is **Friday, March 26<sup>th</sup>, 2010** for submitting your online application. Please click on the following link to access the online application form:

[https://secure.sogc.org/forms/acm2010/medicalStudent\\_e.aspx](https://secure.sogc.org/forms/acm2010/medicalStudent_e.aspx)

As part of the acceptance into the ACM Medical Student Program, you will be required to meet the following mandatory requirements:

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- Attend each session of the Medical Student Program (attendance will be taken at each session)
- Following the ACM, medical students will be required to send at the SOGC National Office:
  - a brief written report (250 words or less) on your experience at the ACM (and provide a copy to the University Department of ObGyn)
  - complete and submit an evaluation form
  - complete and submit an expense form for reimbursed of travel only (original receipts required)

**NOTE:** The accommodation subsidy will be given to you onsite after the last session of the Medical Student Program. Reimbursement for travel subsidy will only be processed if the above mandatory requirements are met. Failure to meet the mandatory requirements, SOGC reserves the right to cancel or deduct an amount from the reimbursement of travel subsidy.

**Please note that your report will provide our staff with information on areas in which the students place importance and will be filed at the national office. When, and, if you apply for a residency in Obstetrics and Gynaecology, the Society will provide a letter confirming your membership with the Society and your attendance at the ACM and/or Regional CME.**

Medical Students are also invited to attend the Resident Fun Night on Saturday, June 5<sup>th</sup> at 20:00. The Resident Fun Night is an evening of fun, entertainment, dancing, free food and beverages. Registration for this event will be complimentary for medical students.

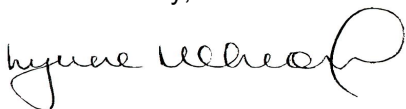
In closing, I want to take this opportunity to **invite you to join the SOGC as a Student in Healthcare Training/Research member**. As a member you will benefit from a subscription to the JOGC, the SOGC News as well as have access to the Society's website and many more benefits. Become a member today! Register online at [http://www.sogc.org/about/join\\_e.asp](http://www.sogc.org/about/join_e.asp) or download and complete the membership application form.

The complete schedule of the ACM Medical Student Program will be available shortly on our website.

If you have any further questions about this program, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Linda Kollesh, Membership and Subscription Services Officer, Coordinator to the Promotion of the Specialty Committee, by email at [lkollesh@sogc.com](mailto:lkollesh@sogc.com)

I look forward to seeing you in Montreal!

Yours sincerely,



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