



CCI Aaron S. White Educational Grant

Two grants, up to \$2,500 USD, will be awarded annually to one deserving student enrolled in a cardiovascular specialty educational program and one active CCI credential holder in good standing.



Complete grant application online at www.cci-online.org/grant and upload required application documentation for review. **2019 grant applications are due by December 31, 2018.**

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Background

Aaron S. White was born in Raleigh, NC and graduated from North Carolina State University in 1995. After eleven years of service as Executive Director of Cardiovascular Credentialing International, Aaron left CCI to pursue other career goals in November 2014. During his tenure at CCI, he, along with the CCI Board, reached a number of milestones including assisting in the finalization of the conversion to a computer-based testing format, the development of four new credentialing programs, the attainment of ANSI/ISO accreditation for all of CCI's credentialing programs as well as overseeing an increase in staff. Since Aaron's departure, CCI's Board of Trustees and Board of Advisors felt his overwhelming dedication and passion to the industry worthy of a named scholarship.

Purpose

The CCI Aaron S. White Educational Grant rewards deserving students and CCI registrants, who apply and meet the qualification requirements, to receive an educational grant to attend an educational conference that offers CCI accepted continuing education. Grant reimbursement will include conference registration fees, accommodation costs, and transportation costs up to \$2,500 USD. Food and beverage expenses are NOT reimbursable. For the purposes of this grant, only students currently enrolled and in good standing in a cardiovascular specialty educational program or active CCI registrants, in good standing, will be eligible to receive a grant. Applicants can only apply for one of the grants.

Disclaimer

CCI is a 501(c)(6) independent not-for-profit corporation established for the purpose of administering credentialing examinations as an independent credentialing agency. CCI began credentialing cardiovascular professionals in 1968.

Grant Amount

Grant amounts are tied to actual event registration fees, accommodation costs, and transportation costs, not to exceed \$2,500 USD. Two grants will be awarded annually.

- One grant up to \$2,500 USD will be awarded to a current qualified student
- One grant up to \$2,500 USD will be awarded to an active CCI registrant, in good standing

Once grant awards are announced, future grant applications will not be accepted from previous grant recipients.

Grant Application Period

2019 grant applications will be accepted through December 31, 2018. Complete applications submitted after this period will not be considered.

Grant Eligibility

Students and CCI registrants must meet the following eligibility requirements:

1. Students must be enrolled in a cardiovascular specialty educational program as of March 1, 2019 and during the duration of the educational conference.
2. CCI registrants must be active and in good standing at the time of application and at the time of the educational conference (active CCI board members and retired registrants are not eligible).

3. Each grant applicant must complete the CCI Aaron S. White Educational Grant application and submit required grant documentation before the application deadline. Incomplete applications will not be considered.
4. Grants will be awarded to one student and one CCI registrant annually. Once grants are announced, future applications will not be accepted from previous grant recipients.

Grant Process

Step 1: Grant applications and required grant documentation must be completed and submitted online at www.cci-online.org/grant. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure the application information is complete and required documentation is included BEFORE being submitted. Incomplete applications will not be considered and will be rejected.

Step 2: Upon approval and awarding of an educational grant, notification will be sent via email to all applicants.

Required Grant Application Documents Checklist

For grant consideration, the following supporting documentation must be submitted:

- Student Verification Letter** – Student applicants must provide a student verification letter that confirms their enrollment and projected graduation date, and that is signed by the Program Director.
- Personal Essay** – All applicants must submit a typed 500-word minimum essay which meets the grant evaluation criteria.
- Personal Letter of Reference** – Applicants must submit one typed personal letter of reference, from a current or previous employer/supervisor, educational director, or clinical supervisor stating why the individual would be an ideal recipient of the Aaron S. White Educational Grant.

Grant Evaluation Criteria

Considerations for grant recipients will include:

- Reasons for wishing to attend an educational conference.
- Evidence of serious interest and aptitude in the cardiovascular field, as demonstrated by coursework and/or clinical experience.
- Identified benefit that attending the educational conference will bring to career.
- Financial need.

Grant Application Review

Incomplete applications will be rejected. All required grant documentation must be submitted by December 31, 2018. Applications will not be reviewed until the application period has closed. Selection will be completed by CCI Board members in January 2019. Grant recipients will be determined and announced February 2019.

Questions

For more information, visit www.cci-online.org/grant. Questions should be directed to CCI headquarters by phone at 800-326-0268 or via email at grant@cci-online.org.