

## Jackson Mooney Dystonia Patient Grant

The objective of the Dystonia Medical Research Foundation (DMRF) Canada *Jackson Mooney Dystonia Patient Grant* is to provide financial assistance of up to \$5,000.00 for Canadian residents who are living with dystonia, in financial need and committed to enhancing their current situation through furthering their education. A note that education or the acquisition of new skills can include many different initiatives. *The primary objective of this grant is that it would help to improve the life of a dystonia patient in a meaningful and sustainable way.*

Please complete the *Jackson Mooney Dystonia Patient Grant Application* form and submit it with all required documentation to the DMRF Canada Office via email:

[stefanieince@dystoniacanada.org](mailto:stefanieince@dystoniacanada.org) or by mail:

Attention: Stefanie Ince, DMRF Canada 121 Richmond Street West, Suite 305, Toronto, M5H 2K1.

***A confirmation of receipt will be sent to all Applicants by email within 5 business days of receiving the application form.***

### Jackson Mooney Dystonia Patient Grant Eligibility

*To qualify for the grant, the Applicant must:*

- Have been diagnosed by a medical professional as having dystonia;
- Be a Canadian citizen or a Permanent Resident with Canada as their primary home;
- Be able to confirm either:
  - The Applicant is in the process of acquiring further education or skills to accommodate a *change in career because of their dystonia*, and able to demonstrate a financial need due to severely impacted work or lifestyle changes because of their dystonia; or;
  - The Applicant is in the process of furthering their education through post-secondary education of some kind.

### Jackson Mooney Dystonia Patient Grant Application Package

The following information is intended to assist an Applicant with completing each section of the *Jackson Mooney Dystonia Patient Grant Application Package*. All sections must be completed. If there are sections that do not apply to you, please enter 'N/A' into the section or box.

- A. Applicant Information: The 'Applicant' is the dystonia patient.
- B. Financial Eligibility: Backup documentation, including the T1 General Form is required to confirm financial eligibility.
- C. Information on Dystonia Diagnosis:
  - Check all boxes that apply to the Applicant;
  - Provide a date of dystonia diagnosis supported by physician's letter.

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- D. Funding Sources: Please provide a list of other organizations or support programs the Applicant has approached for funding. Please record the response and/or dollar amount committed from each source.
- E. Additional Information / Questionnaire: Completing this section is voluntary.
- F. DMRF Canada Privacy Statement: Read this section. It identifies how DMRF Canada will treat the information provided in the application package.
- G. DMRF Canada Release of Information: Read this section. It allows the Applicant the opportunity to indicate the communication they wish to receive from DMRF Canada, outside of processing the application for the *Jackson Mooney Dystonia Patient Grant*.
- H. Applicant Authorization: The Applicant's signature or the signature of their Power of Attorney is required. This is an acknowledgement by the Applicant that they are aware of all the information being submitted as part of the application package.

### Required Documentation

1. Completed *Jackson Mooney Dystonia Patient Grant Application Form*.
2. Proof of Income Documentation: Referred in section B of the Application.
3. Letter of Assessment from your Doctor: A letter of assessment from a doctor who has been the primary care provider of the Applicant through the diagnosis of their dystonia. *Please note this letter must be on letterhead from the medical practice. The letter must outline details regarding the Applicant's dystonia, including the type of dystonia, the severity of dystonia, and the date of initial diagnosis.*
4. The Applicant's Personal Letter: A letter from the Applicant that is approximately 500 words should be included. The letter should highlight how dystonia has negatively impacted the Applicant's work life, leading to a requirement to seek out an alternative career path or development of other life skills through further education and training. To support this please provide details regarding the Applicant's plan for pursuing further education/skills. If relevant, please include the name of your intended institution, the program you are currently enrolled in or expecting to be enrolled in.
5. Reference Letters: The Applicant can provide DMRF Canada with reference letters detailing academic achievements, career achievements, and or community involvement to help provide a case for support.
6. Grant Reporting: If selected as the successful *Jackson Mooney Dystonia Patient Grant Recipient*, the Applicant would be required to provide a 500 word letter that highlights the positive outcomes and benefits gained from the grant.

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### Deadlines and Contact Information

Deadline for Submission	July 15, 2017
Notice of Decision	August 18, 2017
Date of Payment if accepted	September 1, 2017
Period of Grant	September 1, 2017 – August 31, 2018
Grant Reporting Deadline	September 30, 2018
<p>Contact Information</p> <p>Telephone: 1-800-361-8061</p> <p>Website: <a href="http://www.dystoniacanada.org">www.dystoniacanada.org</a></p> <p>Email: <a href="mailto:info@dystoniacanada.org">info@dystoniacanada.org</a></p>	<p>Submit your completed application package by email to Stefanie Ince, Executive Director <a href="mailto:Stefanieince@dystoniacanada.org">Stefanieince@dystoniacanada.org</a></p> <p>Or by mail at:          Attention: Stefanie Ince          DMRF Canada          121 Richmond St. W Suite 305          Toronto, ON, M5H 2K1          Or Fax to: 416-488-5878          Re: <i>Jackson Mooney Dystonia Patient Grant</i></p>