

Chapter 19

Institutional Support of Research Educational Activities

The Seattle Institute for Biomedical and Clinical Research is committed to supporting the research-related educational endeavors of its members in conjunction with the VAPSHCS R&D Committee for the benefit of the research community and the public. To this end, the Institute may sponsor or provide support, on request, for events such as seminars, retreats, lectures and conferences, as funds permit. The Board of Directors will designate funding for such activities.

Requests for SIBCR support will be reviewed under the following guidelines:

1. The event should be relevant to the R&D mission of the VA.
2. The event will usually be proposed or sponsored by a current member of SIBCR.
3. The scope of the activity should be of interest and use to more than a single individual or small group.
4. A draft of the program, list of potential participants, and description of audience to be invited must be submitted as a written request. This should be done sufficiently in advance of the activity to reach the Board for consideration at its regular, quarterly meetings. In exceptional cases, the Board empowers the President to approve or disapprove requests based on the review and unanimous recommendation of the Vice President, Secretary and Executive Director.
5. Funding support for any one event will usually be limited to \$1,000. Collateral funding from other sources is encouraged. The identities of other sources should be specified in the request.
6. If funding support is approved, a statement acknowledging support provided by SIBCR must appear in brochures, letters of invitation, announcements, or other literature created for the event. The full name of the Institute, not its acronym, should be used for these acknowledgments.
7. Funding support provided by SIBCR does not constitute endorsement of the theories, practices, data, policies or beliefs presented at such events.