



## **ACCTMTH (Clinical Group) Clinician Travel Award**

**Purpose:** This travel award, introduced in 2023, recognizes a tropical medicine physician practicing in a [low and low-middle income country](#) who has demonstrated excellent clinical and teaching skills.

The [Clinical Group](#) of the American Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene would like to invite clinicians from [low and low-middle income countries](#) to apply for a travel award to attend the ASTMH Annual Meeting. The travel award will include complimentary registration for the meeting as well as \$2,500 US to cover airfare (economy/coach class), lodging and meals for one person. Notifications will be sent out in June 2026.

### **Eligibility Requirements:**

- ASTMH members and non-members are welcome to apply. Recipients can only be awarded one ASTMH award, subgroup award, fellowship or medal in a given year.
- Must be a citizen of a [low and low-middle-income country](#) and currently living in that country.
- Practicing clinician/clinician-educator caring for tropical medicine patients.
- Training completed at least five years ago.
- Willing to speak at a Meet-the-Professors session to walk through reasoning on clinical cases. Recipients may also be invited to speak at other sessions and/or meet with young trainees.
- Travel Award recipients will be responsible for securing a passport that will remain valid for at least six months after the planned return travel date. For most award recipients, this date will be June 2027. Also, recipients must contact the U.S. government office in their country of residence to arrange for all necessary travel documents (e.g., travel visas). The Clinical Group will provide a letter of support.

**Criteria:** Applicants will be selected based on the following criteria:

- Evidence of experience with clinical tropical medicine.
- Evidence of excellence as a teacher (based on previous teaching experience, awards or other recognition).
- Evidence of expertise in your field of interest.
- Conversant in English.
- Proposed clinical case discussion topic relevant and of interest to the ASTMH clinical community.

**Application Requirements:** Beginning March 11, 2026 submit the following [online](#):

- CV.
- Cover letter: Please explain your experience caring for patients with tropical diseases, why you think you would be a good candidate for this travel award, whether you have attended an ASTMH meeting in the past, and what you hope to get out of this experience. Please provide an outline (<1 page) of what types of cases you intend to speak about in the Meet-the-Professors

session and describe (~½ page) how you will share what you have learned at the meeting with clinicians and trainees at your home institution.

- Two letters of support: One from another clinician and one from a student or trainee, both of whom have worked closely with the nominee. Letters should address the nominee's strengths as a clinician and a teacher and should indicate why the nominee deserves this award. Applicant will upload the letters to the online application portal.
- Hi-resolution recent photo.

**Application deadline:** April 6, 2026.

**Important:**

- Travel award funds provided by the Clinical Group must be used to support travel, lodging and other expenses directly associated with participating in the Annual Meeting.
- The travel award requires attending the entire Annual Meeting, in person, from Wednesday, November 18 through Sunday, November 22, 2026.

**Post-conference Final Report:**

- Awardee is required to submit a maximum two-page report within 30 days of the Annual Meeting outlining their meeting experience with respect to learning opportunities and professional development. Reports should be submitted to [Buffy Finn](#), Membership, Subgroups and Courses Manager.

Questions? Contact [Buffy Finn](#), Membership Subgroups and Courses Manager