



American Committee on Clinical Tropical Medicine and Travelers' Health (ACCTMTH)

Official Subgroup of the American Society of Tropical Medicine & Hygiene

Travel Award: ACCTMTH Clinical Trainee Case Presentation

Session Title: Meet the Professor: Trainee Clinical Cases

Session Description:

This educational session will feature unique clinical cases of tropical diseases presented by clinical trainees (medical students, clinical residents, clinical post-doctoral fellows and other allied healthcare professional students) that had been evaluated, diagnosed and treated by the trainee under faculty supervision at their training facility. Trainees will submit a clinical case summary to the ACCTMTH subcommittee for review prior to the meeting. Three cases out of all the submissions will be selected to be presented, in-person, at the ASTMH Trainee Clinical Case Presentation Session during the 2026 Annual Meeting (date and time to be determined) in National Harbor, Maryland. Presentations will be no longer than 15 minutes in duration and will include clinical information and/or images.

Cases will be selected based on pathogen diversity, geographic regions, educational value, and completeness of the cases. Trainees selected will be supported to attend the ASTMH Annual Meeting through an ACCTMTH travel award. The cases will be presented as “unknowns”, and three pre-identified faculty member panelists will discuss the cases with the audience including their differential diagnoses and approaches to diagnosis and treatment. Panelists will be selected based on the case presentation topics to ensure panelist expertise. Audience participation through technology like Poll Everywhere will be utilized to increase interaction. *The purpose of the session is to encourage participation and engagement of clinical trainees.*

Eligibility Requirements:

- Clinical trainees, regardless of ASTMH membership, are welcome to apply. Those who have already won an ASTMH or subgroup travel award for the 2026 Annual Meeting are not eligible.
- Practicing clinical trainees including medical students, clinical residents and clinical post-doctoral fellows as well as nursing students and allied health students are eligible to apply.

- The submission will identify an interesting, high-yield clinical case in which the clinical trainee provided direct clinical care (under the supervision of a clinical faculty advisor).
- All trainee applicants must have a faculty advisor that supervised the trainee during the clinical encounter and that will support the trainee by reviewing the application and, if selected, aid in developing the student's presentation. While the faculty advisor is encouraged to attend the 2026 ASTMH Annual Meeting, a travel award will not be provided to the supervisor.
- Awardees must be willing to speak at a "Meet-the-Professors" session to discuss their case.
- Travel Award recipients from outside the United States 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 end-May 2027. Also, recipients must contact the US 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. ASTMH Staff is not able to assist in contacting the American Embassy for scheduling Visa appointments.

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

- Status as a clinical trainee of any level.
- Identification of a clinical faculty advisor.
- Clinical case discussion topic relevant and of interest to the ASTMH clinical community.
- English proficient.

Application Requirements: Beginning April 28, 2026, [submit your application online](#).

- Trainee's CV
- Clinical Case Summary that describes the patient presentation and clinical work up (including laboratory values, imaging and other pertinent information). Identify the final diagnosis and the facts that support this diagnosis. Please also include the treatment and outcome of the clinical case. Please refrain from using medical acronyms as much as possible. Please follow patient de-identification guidelines <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC7990511/>. The summary should be less than 1 page.
- Three take-away points from the case relevant and of interest to the ASTMH clinical community.
- A letter of support from the clinical faculty advisor discussing their role as supervisor on the case, the role of the trainee in the care of the patient and highlighting the importance of this case to the clinical community.
- A recent high-resolution photo of the trainee
- Application deadline: May 18, 2026

Important:

- Awardees will receive *up to* \$1,000 for travel related expenses and a complimentary registration for the 2026 ASMTH Annual Meeting in National Harbor, Maryland.
- Travel Award funds provided by the Clinical Group must be used to support meeting registration fees, travel, lodging and other expenses directly associated with participating in the Annual Meeting.
- Awardees are required to attend the entire Annual Meeting from November 18-22, 2026 in National Harbor, Maryland, USA.