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Dear Colleague:

The North American Region of the International Union Against Tuberculosis and Lung Disease (IUATLD-NAR) is holding our 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting on March 2-4, 2006 in Chicago.

Every year we have offered travel awards to enable investigators, clinicians, trainees and program managers working in the field of TB globally to attend this exciting Meeting, where they can present their work, and promote new collaborations through contacts made at the Meeting. In the past, applicants have been asked to submit an abstract. Approval has been based on the quality of the abstract and the financial need of the presenter. This year, due to reduced funding, we are only accepting applicants from North, Central and South America, including the Caribbean.

In addition to accepting applications accompanied by abstracts, this year for the first time we are soliciting applications from other colleagues working in TB programs, organizations or projects in this hemisphere, even though they may not be in a position to submit an abstract. Please refer to the attached Travel Grant Information and Application Form.

We are asking for your recommendations for such travel award applicants from a TB program, organization or project with which you are associated, especially in a high burden country in this hemisphere, for whom you could write a letter of recommendation. Please pass this information on to everyone you know, especially to principal investigators, who may be affiliated with or working in such a TB program, organization or project.

We appreciate your assistance in extending this opportunity to a new group of colleagues who will benefit from attendance at our meeting. For further information, please contact me at 925-313-6746 or [ccrane@hsd.co.contra-costa.ca.us](mailto:ccrane@hsd.co.contra-costa.ca.us), or 510-501-3484, or Menn Biagtan at 604-731-5864 or [biagtan@bc.lung.ca](mailto:biagtan@bc.lung.ca). or Beverly Weaver [tb@alamc.org](mailto:tb@alamc.org).

Sincerely yours,

Charles M. Crane, MD, MPH  
Abstract Committee Chair, IUATLD-NAR

Attachment: NAR Travel Grant Information and Application

**10<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting**  
**North American Region**  
**International Union Against Tuberculosis and Lung Disease**  
Millennium Knickerbocker Hotel  
Chicago, IL  
USA  
March 2-4, 2006

<h1>TRAVEL GRANT INFORMATION</h1>
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**Deadline for receipt of application: November 10, 2005**

**Travel Grant Awards**

The purpose of the travel grant awards is to enable individuals working in the field of TB to attend the Annual Meeting of the IUATLD-NAR when other funding is not available. The intent of the awards is to encourage new program staff, investigators, clinicians or trainees to foster new collaborations through contacts made at the meeting.

**Eligibility Criteria**

- First time attendee
- Unlikely to be able to attend the conference without the award
- Applicant from North, South or Central America, including Jamaica and the Caribbean (this restriction is due to funding constraints)

**Application**

- Complete the Travel Grant Application Form
- Submission of an abstract; OR
- If you are unable to submit an abstract
- A letter telling us the nature of your activities and how your attendance at the Meeting will benefit your work in TB control; AND
- A letter of recommendation from your supervisor or principal investigator

**Submission**

- Deadline: November 10, 2005
- E-mail: send to [bweaver@alamc.org](mailto:bweaver@alamc.org); tb@alamc.org
- Mail: send to Beverlyn Weaver, American Lung Association of Metropolitan Chicago, 1440 W. Washington Blvd, Chicago, IL USA 60067
- FAX: send to 312-243-3954

**Notification**

- You will be notified of whether your application was accepted and the amount of funding awarded by mail or E-mail by **December 5, 2005**.

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<h1>TRAVEL GRANT APPLICATION</h1>
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(Please type)

Last name: \_\_\_\_\_ First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Degree(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State/Province: \_\_\_\_\_

Country: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip/Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Major Responsibilities:

Briefly describe your involvement in TB work?

How would attendance at the IUATLD-NAR Meeting help your work in TB?

Provide an estimate of your cost (in US funds) to attend the meeting (include only costs for which other funding is not available):

Airfare	\$ _____
Hotel Accommodation	\$ _____
Registration	\$ _____
Meals	\$ _____
Total:	\$ _____

(Note: it may not be possible to provide full funding for all applicants).

Will you be able to attend the Meeting if full funding is not available?

If you submitted an abstract and you are unable to attend the Meeting, will another author be able to attend to make the presentation? (Note: abstracts will be accepted only if at least one author is able to attend the Meeting.)

**For additional information**

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