

#brainlifegoals

GRANTS REQUIREMENTS 2020

In 2020, in the framework of our #BrainLifeGoals campaign, EFNA will once again provide grants to support work on one of our three thematic focus areas for the coming years. This year the focus will be on:

ENSURING EQUITABLE ACCESS TO TREATMENT, SERVICES AND SUPPORT FOR NEUROLOGY PATIENTS AND THEIR CARERS

Access to treatment is one of the central #BrainLifeGoals of many neurology patients, and we want to help make that a reality across Europe! Therefore, EFNA will provide up to 10 grants of €3,000 each to selected organisations.

REQUIREMENTS:

Projects should address the recommendations arising from an EFNA workshop on 'access' in 2019, where barriers and possible solutions were discussed.

Therefore, projects should be:

- Advocacy/policy initiatives on access to treatment, services or support for those affected by neurological disorders.
- Awareness raising initiatives/campaigns on access to treatment, services or support for those affected by neurological disorders.
- Training and capacity building initiatives for neurology patients/patient advocates on topics related to access.
- Providing information or training to healthcare professionals in the diagnosis, treatment and/or management of neurological disorders.

For ideas and inspiration, please feel to take a look at the position paper arising from this workshop, available here: www.efna.net/ReportOnAccess

EVALUATION CRITERIA:

Please note that proposed projects:

- Should be proposed by a non-profit organisation, registered and operating in Europe.
- Can focus on a single neurological disorder or look at neurological disorders more broadly
- Can be rolled out at national, regional or pan-European levels
- Should be innovative: Digital tools and platforms will be considered favorably
- Must involve patients/patient organisations in its development and implementation, but multi-stakeholder projects will be considered favorably.
- Should be transferable to other countries and regions, be sustainable and have an impact in the long-term.
- Can be part of a broader programme of activity, but the specific workplan proposed must have a defined deadline and a well-defined implementation plan.
- Project updates will be required by August 31st, 2020 and February 1st, 2021, with completion due within 12 months.

WHO CAN APPLY:

Natural persons and /or organisations based and operating in Europe (geographical region) are eligible to apply for the #BrainLifeGoals Grant in 2020.

The #BrainLifeGoals Grant applicants must be constituted and functioning within either of the following Legal Identities:

Natural Persons

Natural Persons may submit applications for a funding opportunity on their own behalf (students, patients, carers, others). However, in order to create the basis for putting into practice the submitted project, it is necessary that the respective natural person partner with a registered patient or educational organisation, as described below.

Patient Organisation

Patient Organisation is a national or regional association with legal identity, which helps patients by providing information about living with their conditions, raising awareness about screening and prevention, and offering a number of supporting tools for improving their life conditions.

Educational Organisations

Independent educational institutions, public and/or state controlled institutions, and private institutions of higher education.

Partnerships

The #BrainLifeGoals Grant encourages partnerships between different categories of applicants described here above (natural persons, non-profits, educational institutions), believing that a good representation of interests is beneficial to the expected result, which is to improve the life of pain patients.

REPORTING OBLIGATIONS:

The candidate will be required to submit two Project Status Reports, one by August 31st, 2020 and one by February 1st, 2021. The candidate will present the results of the project via a PPT presentation, submitted within 1 month of project completion.

The grant winner is responsible for reporting the grant income for tax purposes as required by law.

PUBLICATION RULES:

The winning project will be recognised as a #BrainLifeGoals Grant project. Any publication concerning the project will contain reference to the EFNA #BrainLifeGoals Grant.

INDICATIVE TIMETABLE:

Start of the Application Period	Monday, March 16 th 2020
End of the Application Period	Friday, May 1 st 2020
Evaluation period	Friday, May 1 st to Friday, May 15 th 2020
Jury meets	Sunday, May 24 th @ EAN Congress, Paris
Awardees announced	Monday, June 1 st
Project Status Updates	August 31 st , 2020 and February 1 st , 2021
Project completion	Monday, May 31 st 2021
Final Report	Wednesday, June 30 th 2021