

The John Quale Travel Fellowship Program

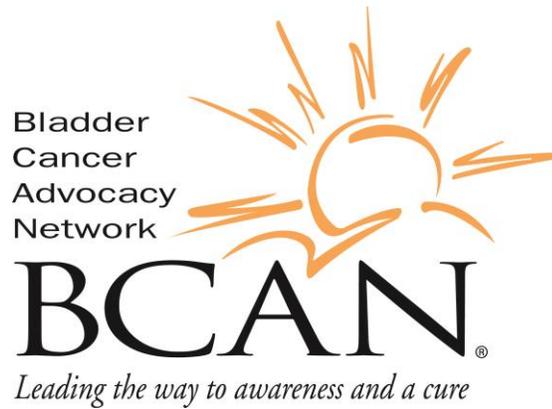
A special opportunity for early career investigators interested in bladder cancer research to attend the 2014 BCAN Bladder Cancer Think Tank Meeting.

Description: The Travel Fellowship will be awarded to early career physicians and scientists to defray the travel-related costs of attending the **Ninth Annual Bladder Cancer Think Tank**, which will be held **August 7-9, 2014**. Hosted by the Bladder Cancer Advocacy Network (BCAN), the primary mission of this meeting is to enhance collaboration among physicians and researchers who are dedicated to the prevention, diagnosis, and treatment of bladder cancer. The 2014 Think Tank will include a high-level scientific program. Other activities will include small group discussions and social activities. This is a unique opportunity to meet and learn from leaders in the field. The *Travel Fellowship Program* seeks to engage more early-career individuals with interests related to bladder cancer including basic scientists, urologists, oncologists, and pathologists. The fellowship will cover \$1,500 in travel-related costs.

Location: Rancho Bernardo Inn, San Diego, California. More information can be found at the hotel website, <http://www.ranchobernardoinn.com>.

Meeting Information: This meeting will gather a multidisciplinary group of clinicians, scientists, lay advocates and industry partners to focus on collaborative projects that were launched during the 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012 and 2013 Think Tank meetings. Scientific sessions will include presentations from researchers and physicians in the medical field and will be followed by interactive discussion sessions. This will be a working meeting designed to advance the mission of BCAN and the Bladder Cancer Research Network in a collaborative environment. Each participant will be assigned to a working group with pre- and post-meeting assignments, including identifying possible projects for collaboration and opportunities for improving patient outcomes.

Eligibility: MDs and PhDs at the post-graduate, pre-faculty level (who have not yet started a faculty appointment on April 14) are encouraged to apply. MD applicants must be in the final year of residency or in a fellowship program. PhD applicants must be postdoctoral fellows. Prior John Quale Travel Fellowship award winners are not eligible.



Instructions: Your application must include the following submitted via proposalCENTRAL:

- Your name, current institution and position, institution and position you will be in August 2014 (if different from current), and your contact information
- Curriculum Vitae
- A statement (1 page limit) explaining: (1) your interest in the Bladder Cancer Think Tank and bladder cancer research and (2) what you hope to gain from attending the meeting.
- A 1-2 page description of your current research activities, including any bladder-related research you are involved in.
- If you are selected for a travel fellowship, you will be asked to present a 15 minute talk at the meeting. Please include an abstract on your most interesting and innovative work, or alternatively an abstract describing a novel research proposal you have developed.
- The names and contact information of 3 individuals that can attest to your potential success as an independent investigator.

Deadline: Applications must be received by Monday, April 14, 2014.

The 2014 John Quale Travel Fellowship recipients will be announced in May.

Please contact us at grants@bcan.org with any questions.