



Independent Medical  
Education Grants

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### Applying for a Grant

1. [What does it mean to have an opt-in process for enduring materials for medical education?](#)

Spark maintains specific guidelines regarding the manner in which grant supported enduring materials are distributed to healthcare professionals. These guidelines state that Spark can only support the dissemination of enduring materials directly to recipients who have specifically requested them.

2. [What is the deadline to submit a grant request?](#)

Funding requests must be submitted at least 60 days prior to the start of the Program/event date.

3. [Can I start the online grant request and come back to it later if I don't finish?](#)

Yes, you may save the request and come back to it later. In order to do so, all fields on the current page must be populated for the information to be saved.

4. [Can I request a grant for an activity that has already occurred?](#)

No, Spark does not provide retroactive funding. Requests for support must be submitted to Spark at least 60 days in advance of the activity.

5. [Can an organization submit a paper request for a charitable contribution from Spark?](#)

No. For corporate sponsorships, charitable contributions and patient group requests, please email [corporate.requests@sparktx.com](mailto:corporate.requests@sparktx.com).

6. [What if my budget items do not fit into the available categories/descriptions?](#)

If you have budget line items that are not in the category menu, please use Category "Others".

7. [What do you mean by a Needs Assessment \(required for an Independent Medical Education Grant request\)?](#)

All requests for funding from Spark must include a referenced needs assessment that clearly defines the unmet education need or gap the activity will address. Once the educational need is determined, a documented Needs Assessment is generally linked to the formulated Learning Objectives for the program. The needs assessment must be documented and referenced.