

2012 AAVLD Trainee Travel Awards

The AAVLD is soliciting applications for Trainee Travel Awards for the 2012 Annual AAVLD Meeting in Greensboro, NC. Trainees in a Master's, PhD or residency program enrolled in all disciplines in veterinary diagnostic medicine are encouraged to apply, including epidemiology, immunology, microbiology (bacteriology, food safety, mycology and virology), molecular diagnostics, parasitology, pathology, and toxicology.

The \$1,000 travel awards are intended to help defray the cost of travel and lodging to attend the Annual AAVLD meeting. The Trainee Travel Awards are funded by the AAVLD Foundation, and are intended to fulfill the recruitment and education mission of the AAVLD Foundation by encouraging trainee excellence in their diagnostic discipline, developing trainee presentation skills (verbal, written, organizational), and promoting networking of trainees with veterinary laboratory diagnosticians. This year, funds are available for up to 9 travel awards.

The first step to apply for an AAVLD Trainee Travel Award is to submit an electronic abstract through the AAVLD electronic abstract submission website:

<http://aavld2012.abstractcentral.com>

During submission of your abstract, there will be a prompt to select for *Trainee Travel Award* consideration. You will then be asked to attach 3 additional documents:

- 1) A 1-2 page letter stating the candidate's role in the work and the significance of the work to veterinary diagnostic medicine copy of the abstract to be presented;
- 2) A 1-2 page biographical data sheet; and
- 3) A letter or support from your mentor.

The deadline for receipt of all application materials is June 1, 2012 (the deadline for submission of Annual Meeting abstracts).

For questions regarding the AAVLD Trainee Travel Awards contact Dr. Craig Carter by email at craig.carter@uky.edu.