**Carers Support Travel Grants**

As interstate conference attendance is often difficult for ASPS members who are primary carers of young or high needs children, the Society has set aside funds to mitigate this situation and allow the professional development of these members to continue. These funds are to support ASPS member with preschool age children (0-4 years) or children with high needs. The award is open to general members and students whose child-caring duties would normally prevent them from travelling due to their circumstances or because alternative child-minding options are unavailable. The funds can provide for eligible ASPS members towards

* return airfares to the conference location for preschool age children (2-4 years) or children with high needs
* return airfares for a support person to accompany ASPS member
* additional expenses associated with accommodation requirements for family

Note that the accompanying carer need not be a parent or legal guardian.

Support will be awarded on first in first served basis and will vary from year to year depending on the Society finances, meeting location and the number of applications. The Treasurer will apply a formula in calculating individual entitlements and take these factors into account.

Applicants (and their supervisor if applicant is a student) must be members of ASPS. Membership information can be found here: <https://www.asps.org.au/members/join>. Successful applicants will be notified within one month of the application deadline. Awards will be disbursed at least one month prior to travel and will require evidence of conference registration and abstract submission. **Applications for ASPS2023 must be received by close of business 28 July 2023.**

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| Date of Application: |  |
| Name of applicant (Title, First name, Last name): |  |
| Email address: |  |
| Name of accompanying carer (Title, First name, Last name): |  |
| Number of children accompanying and ages: |  |
| Title of proposed presentation and authorship: |
| Briefly explain how this support will enable your participation in the conference: |
| Travelling from (city): |  | Travelling to (city): |  |
| Approximate cost of: |
| Flights |  |
| Additional accomodation costs |  |
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| List any previous ASPS travel sponsorships | **Year(s)** | **$Amount** |
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**If applicable: Supervisor**

I certify that the applicant is a current Honours or postgraduate student and that I am a current ASPS member.

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| Supervisor’s name: |  |
| Supervisor’s signature: |  | Date:  |

Return your application by 28 July 2023 as a PDF attachment to:

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