

The Australia and New Zealand/North  
American  
Chris O'Brien Traveling Fellowship  
Application 2010

*The Councils of the American Head and Neck Society and the Australian-New Zealand Head and Neck Society announce the Chris O'Brien Traveling Fellowship*

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**PURPOSE**

The purpose of this fellowship is to encourage international exchange of information concerning surgical science, practice, and education and to establish professional and academic collaborations and friendships.

**BASIC REQUIREMENTS**

The scholarship is available to members in good standing of the American Head and Neck Society or the Australian-New Zealand Head and Neck Society of any of the surgical specialties who meet the following requirements:

- ❖ Has a major interest and accomplishment in clinic or basic sciences related to head and neck surgery
- ❖ Holds a current full-time academic appointment
- ❖ Has no more than 10 years experience in their practice
- ❖ Is enthusiastic, personable, and possesses good communication skills
- ❖ For purposes of the 2010 application, the candidate will travel to Australia/New Zealand and must therefore be a resident of North America.

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### ACTIVITIES

The Fellow is required to spend a minimum of two to three weeks in Australia and New Zealand/North America:

- ❖ To attend and participate in the biannual scientific meeting of the ANZHNS, or the quadrennial International Head and Neck Cancer Conference
  - For this application period, the candidate from North America will be attending the ANZHNS meeting to take place in Sydney, Australia, 2 – 4 September 2010
- ❖ The Chris O'Brien Traveling Scholarship will be awarded every two years alternating between Australia/New Zealand and North America (for purposes of the 2010 application, the candidate will travel to Australia/New Zealand and must therefore be currently residing in North America).
- ❖ To participate in the formal convocation ceremony of the meeting
- ❖ To attend and present an oral presentation
- ❖ To visit at least two medical centers in Australia/New Zealand or North America before or after the meetings to lecture and to share clinical and scientific expertise with the local surgeons

The academic and geographic aspects of the itinerary will be finalized in consultation and mutual agreement between the Fellow and the President or designated representative of the AHNS and the ANZHNS. The surgical centers to be visited depend to some extent on the special interest and expertise of the Fellow and his or her previously established professional contacts with surgeons in Australia and New Zealand or North America.

His or her spouse is welcome to accompany the successful applicant. There will be many opportunities for social interaction, as well as these professional activities.

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### FINANCIAL SUPPORT

The ANZHNS and the American Head and Neck Society will provide the sum of \$10,000 U.S. to the successful applicant, who will also be exempted from registration fees for the meetings. He/she must meet all travel and living expenses. The societies' representatives will meet with the Fellow about the centers to be visited in Australia and New Zealand or North America, the local arrangements for each center, and other advice and recommendations about travel schedules. The Fellow is to make his/her own travel arrangements in North America, as this makes available to him/her reduced fares and travel packages for travel in Australia and New Zealand.

The Councils of the American Head and Neck Society and the ANZHNS will select the Fellow after review and evaluation of the final applications. A personal interview may be requested prior to the final selection.

Applications for this traveling fellowship may be obtained from the American Head and Neck Society's Web site [www.ahns.info](http://www.ahns.info) or by writing to the secretary of the respective societies.

The closing date for receipt of completed applications is January 31, 2010. The successful application and an alternate will be selected and notified by March 20, 2010.

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## AMERICAN HEAD AND NECK SOCIETY

(NAME)

*Application for the American Head and Neck Society – Australia-New Zealand Head and Neck Society Chris O'Brien Traveling Fellowship for the Year 2010.*

A current, detailed curriculum vitae, including medical school, postdoctoral education, and past hospital appointments, plus a complete bibliography and record of meeting presentations are to be submitted with this application. All information is to be typewritten on 8 1/2" x 11" plain white paper. Applicants are to submit, in addition, an essay of no more than one page, stating how, in their opinion, they fulfill the requirements and their reasons for applying for the fellowship. Applicants are requested to type their names in the upper left-hand corner of the essay.

1. APPLICANT		
Name:	Email:	
Address:		
Telephone: (    )	Fax: (    )	
<b>Present Academic Position</b>	Title:	
	Institution:	
	Specialty:	
Birth Date:	Birthplace:	Citizenship:

(month, day, year)

2. EDUCATION		
<b>Senior (Chief) Residency</b>	Year:	
	Institution:	
	City:	State/Province:

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<b>3. PRESENT HOSPITAL APPOINTMENTS</b>			
<b>Primary</b>			
Name of Hospital	City & State/Province	Surgical Staff Position	From (Specify Month & Year)
<b>Other</b>			

<b>4. SPECIALTY CERTIFICATION DESIGNATION</b>	
<b>American Specialty Board / The Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada</b>	
Name of Specialty (Board)	Date of Specialty Certification

<b>5. FELLOWSHIP</b>			
ACS	Date Awarded	RCSC	Date Awarded

<b>6. REFERENCES</b>	
Three letters of reference are required. One should be from the department chair, and the other two, from active members of the surgical department. These letters should include an overall evaluation of the applicant, including assessment of the applicant's performance in various positions occupied. The applicant's ability to satisfy the criteria of the fellowship requirements should be specifically addressed.	
Name:	Title: <i>Chair, Department of Surgery</i>
Institution:	
Name:	Title:
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All communications regarding the Traveling Fellowship, including letters of reference, which are to be requested by the applicant, and sent by each referee, should be directed to:

**Secretary  
American Head and Neck Society  
11300 W. Olympic Blvd, Suite 600  
Los Angeles, CA 90064**

It is to the applicant's advantage to submit the completed application as early as possible in advance of the closing date, 31 December 2009.

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Date

Signature

American Head and Neck Society  
International Liaison Section  
(name)