

2012 OMeGA Board of Directors announced

(ROSEMONT, IL) December 8, 2011— OMeGA Medical Grants Association announced its 2012 Board of Directors. These individuals have met rigorous standards of independence, including:

- * no current ties to the orthopaedic industry,
- * no remuneration from the orthopaedic industry in the past two years, and
- * no leadership roles in fellowship or residency programs that involves financial decision making within the orthopaedic department of an institution in the previous two years.

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Drs Evarts, Gross, and Tomford are three of the original Board members who have shaped OMeGA's policies and procedures to support conflict-free third party administration of orthopaedic graduate medical education funding.

Accepting applications for fellowship grants through Friday, December 16, 2011, 5pm CST

Grants (up to \$75,000) support clinical fellowships in all nine orthopaedic sub-specialty categories. Grants may be used for salary, benefits, and educational expenses. All applications are reviewed by sub-specialty experts against objective criteria including faculty expertise, ratio of fellows to faculty, educational resources and program emphasis on research, publications and presentations. This schedule allows funded programs to rely upon OMeGA funding for their sub-specialty match applications and selections for the 2013-2014 academic year. This timing works perfectly for all sub-specialties except for shoulder & elbow (which has a December match date).

With sincere appreciation

Thank you to our donors for their long-term commitment to orthopaedic GME: Zimmer (founding supporter at the platinum level), Synthes, Smith & Nephew Orthopaedics, Integra Foundation, Biomet Orthopedics and Medtronic Spinal.

For more information

Visit www.omegamedicalgrants.org to apply for a fellowship grant or for more information.

About OMeGA Medical Grants Association

OMeGA Medical Grants Association is an independent, not-for-profit organization established in 2008. OMeGA awards and manages grants for orthopedic graduate medical education through a consistent,

accessible process designed to safeguard against potential conflicts of interest and ensure transparency in the allocation of resources. Visit www.omegamedicalgrants.org for more information.

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