CDISC Fellows Program Q&A

1. Location of CDISC Fellows

Question:
Are selected CDISC Fellows required to be located in the United States full time for one year?

Answer:
There is no requirement for residence in the United States. For the most part CDISC development teams meet via web conferencing. Therefore, CDISC Fellows may be located anywhere, as long as they are willing to attend team calls scheduled when the majority of team members can attend.

All selected candidates must attend, in person, a mandatory initial training program to be held on Monday, November 10th in Bethesda, Maryland.

2. Credentials and Experience

Question:
What are the credentials and experience needed to become a CDISC Fellow?

Answer:
The profile for successful candidates will include experience in implementing CDISC standards and an interest in learning more about CDISC standards and the larger goal they serve for academia, regulatory, industry and ultimately patients. Experience in the therapeutic areas under development is a definite plus.

3. Costs

Question:
What costs can sponsoring companies expect to cover?

Answer:
Sponsoring companies bear all the cost for their CDISC fellows. That includes salary, travel and expenses.

Travel expenses may also be covered in a limited number of cases for applicants who are not currently employed.
4. Time Commitment

Question:
I am currently employed full time. Selected CDISC Fellows are expected to work full time. Does that mean working 40 hour per week on CDISC standards development projects? If true, is it possible that full time employees of a company can still be a CDISC Fellow and devote one or two full days for the program.

Answer:

The goal of the CDISC Fellows program is to increase the number of knowledgeable resource for standards development projects. In addition there is a pressing need to develop CDISC subject matter experts to guide modeling decisions and ensure the quality and consistency of new standards projects. To achieve this goal, we believe that CDISC Fellows must be able to commit a substantial part of their working hours to CDISC development projects.

Those interested in participating in the CDISC Fellows program, and have the support of their employer, but are unsure of the degree of time that can be committed are encouraged to submit an application. Some accommodations may be made depending on applicant qualifications and the sponsoring company.

For more information please visit the CDISC Fellows page or contact info@cdisc.org.