

# Global Medical Grants

## Announcement: new global technology platform coming soon

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Dear registered users and those who signed up to receive IGLC communications:

We are excited to announce Pfizer will launch a **new global technology platform on 3 January 2019!!** The new platform will remain on CyberGrants technology, but users can expect a reorganized structure for application types as well as expansion on a global scale.

### Why is Pfizer launching a new global technology platform?

Pfizer is creating a comprehensive grant-making framework that will support various grant types across our enterprise. By harmonizing the processing of these grant types, Pfizer will be able to better align resources across a global strategy, manage those scarce resources in a more informed and efficient fashion, improve compliance with internal policies and external regulations associated with independent grant-making and reduce the amount of time required to process grants.

- **Medical Education**
- **Quality Improvement** (previously managed as part of Medical Education) **\*\*\*Revised\*\*\***
- **Research** (pre-clinical, clinical, health services, registries, outcomes and general) **\*\*\*NEW grant type\*\*\* [More information to come in future communications]**
- **Fellowship**
- **Healthcare Charitable Contribution**

### Will there be a black-out period for new applications?

To test the new platform, conduct internal training, and transfer existing data from prior systems, we are enacting a black-out period for all NEW applications. **This black-out period will be in effect 1 October 2018 – 2 January 2019.** During this timeframe, Pfizer will not accept new submissions for any application types. Pending requests, including those submitted prior to 1 October 2018, will be processed as usual with decision notifications expected to be communicated according to our standard timelines.

### How will the black-out period affect current grants?

The black-out period will not impact previously approved grants in the system. When prompted, users are required to take action, e.g., submit interim status reports, complete reconciliation/acknowledgment forms, upload final reports and outcomes data, etc.

### What are the registration requirements for the new technology platform?

All applicants seeking funding for grant support will still be required to register prior to submitting a grant request.

**Users who are already registered in the CyberGrants system (managed by Pfizer Independent Grants for Learning & Change “IGLC”),** will not be required to re-register. Those user accounts will stay active in the system and users can proceed to use the CyberGrants system as normal beginning in January 2019.

**New Users:** Other individuals from your institution may have already registered and created an organization profile. When registering for the first time, new users must associate themselves with their institution’s organization profile (if it exists) or create a new organization profile for their institution.

If you have any questions, please contact [IGLC@pfizer.com](mailto:IGLC@pfizer.com).