



### **Independent Medical Education Grant Requests:**

BioDelivery Services, Inc. (BDSI) is committed to supporting independent, high-quality educational programs for healthcare professionals that contribute to the improvement of patient care in the therapeutic areas in which the business has research and clinical interests.

BDSI provides financial assistance to support accredited or unaccredited independent education programming, including educational symposia, seminars and/or sessions directed by certified healthcare professionals, where the grant recipient is solely responsible for developing the content and managing the educational program.

BDSI's Grants Review Committee meets periodically over the course of the year, to review all submissions from external grant applicants, and awards funding based on medical or scientific merit, unmet educational need, and availability of funds. Please note that grant applications must be received at least sixty (60) days prior to the activity start date to be considered eligible for funding.

If approved, BDSI requires that a fully executed Letter of Agreement (LOA), signed by the grant requestor and BDSI, be completed prior to the commencement of the program. In addition, grant recipients are required to confirm the completion of the program and provide documentation of how funds were used.

Each educational grant awarded must adhere to and be compliant with:

- FDA Final Guidance on Industry-Supported Scientific and Educational Activities
- Office of Inspector General (OIG) Guidelines
- Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) Standards for Commercial Support
- Pharmaceutical Research and Manufacturers of America (PhRMA) Code on Interactions with Healthcare Professionals
- American Medical Association (AMA) Ethical Guidelines for Gifts to Physicians from Industry
- Other relevant guidelines and regulations as applicable in country of Requestor

### **BDSIs' Therapeutic Areas of Interest**

BDSI is focused on the development and commercialization of products in the areas of pain management and addiction medicine. These are areas where we believe patients still face critical unmet medical needs. We currently provide independent medical education grant support as it relates to the following therapeutic areas:

- Chronic pain
- Opioid-induced constipation

BDSI is committed to transparency in its interactions with healthcare professionals and health care organizations/institutions consistent with applicable laws and/or codes relating to the pharmaceutical industry.



To apply for grant support in one of our areas of educational interest please submit the following documentation via email to [cme@bdsi.com](mailto:cme@bdsi.com):

- A formal letter of request on the entity's letterhead signed by an authorized representative.
- A copy of detailed agenda, table of contents, detailed protocol(s), educational materials or a detailed summary of program content.
- Educational objectives and needs assessment.
- A detailed description of the Educational Program or similar event content that clearly shows that the presentation of educational information will be unbiased, balanced, up-to-date and scientifically rigorous.
- An explanation of how the activity will benefit patient care, knowledge, or other public health objective.
- A proposed budget with line-item detail.
- A statement of independence from Shionogi influence, with the Grant recipient taking responsibility for selecting content, speakers, faculty, attendees, and logistical elements of the Educational Program.