The NPCNA Research Grant is awarded on an annual basis to an NPCNA member who is an active participant of a nursing research study or quality improvement project. Individual projects, as well as collaborative projects involving interdisciplinary teams, multiple nursing units, or other Institutions/agencies, are eligible for grant consideration.

We expect that the knowledge gained from this project will be shared. Upon completion of the study, the grant recipient will be invited to present findings/outcomes at the NPCNA Annual Conference.

**Areas of Inquiry**
Areas of study may include:
- Improving clinical outcomes
- Maintaining a healthy work environment
- Creating a healing and/or caring environment
- Effective use of technology
- Preventing/managing complications

Eligible projects may include quality improvement projects, small clinical research studies, patient education programs, or staff development programs.

**Funding**
The grant award for 2018 is funded up to $1000.

**Requirements**
- Applicant must be a member of NPCNA.
- Funds may be used to cover project expenses, such as printed materials, supplies, or equipment.
- Funds may not be used to pay salaries or institutional overhead.

**Selection Process**
Applications will be reviewed by the Research Committee. The grant will be awarded upon recommendation of the Research Committee and approval of the NPCNA Board of Directors.

All applications must be emailed to NPCNA.contact@gmail.com by **November 30, 2018**

Recipient will be notified of award by **December 20, 2018**

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**Applying for the Research Grant**
To apply for the NPCNA grant:

- Complete the Applicant information and Budget Form available at www.npcna.org
- Write a cover letter (one page) briefly describing how your project will impact pediatric cardiology nursing practice.
- Provide letters of support from two people who can address your ability to complete the project, such as your manager, mentor, or research advisor.
- Include your current curriculum vitae.
- Write a 2-4 page study proposal, including:
  - Title/Authors
  - Aims
  - Background & Significance
  - Methods
  - Outcomes
  - Conclusions
  - References