



National Shoulder and Elbow Week

2027 National Shoulder and Elbow Week Host Site Application

The Week of May 17-22nd

Thank you for applying to serve the **ASES Foundation** in promoting its mission to foster scientific advances and enhance the study of shoulder and elbow surgery. The **National Shoulder & Elbow Week (NSEW)** program has been a unique opportunity since 2021 to not only raise funds but promote our society and its members through **grass-roots community collaboration** with patients, providers, administrators and industry.

What is the Impact of National Shoulder and Elbow Week?

Since its creation in 2021, this initiative has hosted **51** events across the U.S. and Canada and has become a powerful platform for networking and fundraising in the shoulder and elbow space.

THE PURPOSE

- **Build Local Community:** Engages your local community of surgeons, patients, community leaders and industry in discussions about the importance of shoulder and elbow health.
- **Support Research & Innovation:** The ASES Foundation has provided **\$743,179 in grants**, supporting **56 LOCAL research projects** led by surgeons who have organized these impactful events.
- **Support the Foundation's Programs:** Whether supporting education, research, or early career a part of the net proceeds supports the ASES Foundation's mission.
- **Expand National Impact:** Elevate shoulder and elbow care and the ASES Foundation into a national level public health campaign.

THE BENEFITS FOR HOSTING

- **NSEW Grant:** 50% of your net fundraising becomes available for you as the host and members from your planning subcommittee, who have been active in planning or executing the event, to apply for a local grant to support their research, education, or event.
- **Leadership:** *"There is no better way of enhancing your engagement with our ASES society, ASES Foundation and thought leaders than hosting a NSEW event."* Dr. J.R. Rudzki, Chair of the ASES Foundation's Patient Centered Initiatives (PCI) Committee
- **Networking:** From the onset of your planning, you are engaging with ASES leaders as part of your event committee and securing key speakers. At the event, the opportunities for engagement with ASES leaders, peers, and other influencers is unmatched to build connections and advance your career locally and nationally.
- **Volunteerism:** Your leadership qualifies you for **10 ASES membership advancement points** as you lead your team of senior to early career ASES members. You have the chance to not only bring together key stakeholders in your community but also contribute to research that shapes the future of our specialty.



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THE APPLICATION

This application will give the **Patient-Centered Initiatives Committee** an opportunity to learn more about your proposed event. As a site host, you will become a member of the **ASES Foundation's Patient-Centered (PCI) committee** with monthly calls. Collaborating frequently with your local subcommittee members is essential for success. As you put your proposal together, considering a budget for the event and ideas to promote it will be quite helpful. The PCI Committee and a group of prior Site Host Mentors will help you through the process if selected. You will also be supported by an outside event planner and sponsorship sales representatives. Thank you for your time and interest in helping The ASES Foundation and ASES society.

Please address the following items when explaining your interest in hosting a 2027 NSEW regional event the week of May 17-22nd 2027:

1. **Proposed host city/region**
2. **Subcommittee members (3-5 suggested)**
3. **Potential Venues**
4. **How would you define a NSEW event? What do you think is most important to its success?**
5. **Goals for NSEW event (topics, themes, speakers, attendance, and fundraising targets**
Note: In 2025, \$100,000-\$150,000 was raised per site from ticket sales, sponsorships, and donations)
6. **Potential local uses for grant money (see Grant Disclaimer on page 3).**
Past project examples include: Studying pitch characteristics and biomechanics in youth athletes during bullpens and games, study of 3D scapulothoracic and glenohumeral relationships in normal subjects and patients with glenohumeral osteoarthritis, run a shoulder and elbow upper extremity cadaver lab for our fellow and residents.

Grant Disclaimer:

1. The ASES Foundation Board of Trustees encourages For-Profit entities that are interested in applying for the grant to first apply for non-profit status.
2. The grant funds can only be sent to a program/organization, not an individual ASES member.
3. Site hosts and members of the host committee that have actively participated in planning and executing the event may apply for grants.
4. Initiatives funded by this grant must support improving shoulder and elbow care. Grant initiatives may support community events, provide education and training or research efforts.
5. A written report to the ASES Foundation must be submitted within one year of funding. Any residual funding that was not utilized must be returned to the ASES Foundation. Failure to submit this report by the designated deadline could result in exclusion from future grant applications. A reporting template will be provided.

Please submit your application by: March 31, 2026

Send to: ASES Foundation at info@asesfdn.org