



## Research Participation Policy

The Amputee Coalition – the leading national organization for people with limb loss – recognizes the value of clinical research in identifying needs, evaluating care and developing new technologies for people with limb loss. This policy describes the application process through which the Coalition may agree to participate in the recruitment of subjects for research.

### Participation is defined as:

- An electronic letter on organizational letterhead that states the Amputee Coalition has reviewed the research project's protocols and encourages participation
- Provision of advertising space in *inMotion* magazine at a discounted rate
- Posting on the Amputee Coalition Web site with links to research study sites
- Negotiation, at the Amputee Coalition's option, with regard to other requests in forms of participation, excluding direct provision of mailing lists.

### Application requirement checklist:

- Letter on institutional letterhead that:
  - Requests the Coalition's participation as defined above
  - Provides the project title and list of investigators
  - Notes the start and end dates for subject enrollment
  - Is signed by the principal investigator
  - Discloses any commercial conflict of interest
- Copy of the Institutional Review Board (IRB) approval
- Study abstract, limited to 250 words
- Nonrefundable application fee, \$100 for students, \$250 for institutions

All required information must be submitted electronically to George Gondo ([ggondo@amputee-coalition.org](mailto:ggondo@amputee-coalition.org)), the Amputee Coalition's research and evaluation coordinator, and will be reviewed by our medical director. Please send application payment in the form of a check made out to the Amputee Coalition, noting that it is for your research participation application fee. Incomplete applications will not be considered. A decision will be given via e-mail within 15 business days.

*Exceptions to specific components of this policy may be granted to recognized research institutions and/or individuals that have successfully partnered with the Amputee Coalition for previous research initiatives.*