PVA EDUCATION FOUNDATION FY 2020 GRANT AWARDS

The Board of Directors of the Paralyzed Veterans of America (PVA) Education Foundation met in April to make final selections of grants for funding in FY 2020. The Board members reviewed the grants based on criteria including peer review panel score, consistency with the Foundation mission, impact on veterans and available funding.

Based on these criteria and significant discussion by the Board of Directors, Six grants were selected for funding, totaling $203,150. These grants are funded by donations from PVA Chapters and National contributions, individual donations and bequests. For additional information about the funded grants or the PVA Education Foundation, please contact Lindsay Perlman, Associate Director of Research and Education at 202-416-7611 or Lindsayp@pva.org.

Consumer, Caregiver and Community Education

Laura Rice, PhD, PT
Department of Physical Therapy
University of Illinois
Urbana-Champaign, Urbana IL
“Feasibility of an Online Program to Manage Falls Among Wheelchair and Scooter Users”
$49,997

Ezgi Tiryaki, MD
Minneapolis VA Healthcare System
Minneapolis, MN
“Eye Gaze Controlled Wheelchair Drive System for Veterans with ALS”
$16,785

Professional Development and Education

Elizabeth Burkhart, PhD, RN
Edward J. Hines VA Medical Center
Hines IL
“Healthcare Provider Education in Preventing Community-Acquired Pressure Injury in SCI”
$49,959

Kenneth Lee, MD
Zablocki VA Medical Center
Milwaukee WI
“Concussion Management Program for the Wheelchair Athlete”
$50,000

Assistive Technology

Corrine Piren
James J Peters VA Medical Center
Bronx, NY
“Mobile Assistive Technology Lab”
$21,409

Conferences and Symposia

Mark Manago, PhD, DPT
Physical Therapy Department
University of Colorado
Anschutz Medical Campus
Aurora CO
“10th International Symposium
on Gait and Balance in MS”
$15,000

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