

BAS Initiatives in Aphasia Seed Fund (IASF)

OVERVIEW

Amount: up to **£1000** per project

Deadline: **October** (see BAS website for date)

Application process: Application Form and CV of Lead Applicant to be submitted to **seedfund@bas.org.uk**

Review process: the IASF officer and at least one other committee member will review each application and present their views on eligibility for funding to the Committee for a final decision. The Committee reserve the right to decide how many awards are made in any year.

Final report: a poster OR video report (maximum 5 minutes) to be uploaded to the BAS website, with an aphasia-friendly summary for the newsletter (maximum of 500 words; link to website material to be added prior to publication), and a 1 page report of how the funds were spent (with receipts attached).

INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS

The British Aphasiology Society would like to fund Initiatives in Aphasia - activities that involve and benefit people with aphasia and their family members/carers. Some examples might be: support for events, new initiatives in aphasia, focus groups, or pilot research. This list is not intended to be prescriptive. Such activities may be led by or organised with the involvement of people with aphasia, and will meet one or more of the following aims:

1. To promote knowledge of aphasia
2. To promote knowledge of aphasia treatment, and make its evidence base accessible
3. To promote and draw upon the expertise of people with aphasia
4. To share, discuss and collaborate on research with people with aphasia and their family members/carers

Seed funding of up to £1000 is available per application, and can be used to supplement other research/knowledge exchange funding that the applicants have already secured (we will ask you to provide evidence of this). IASF officer and at least one other committee member will review each application and present their views on eligibility for funding to the Committee for a final decision.

The BAS Committee reserves the right to decide how many awards it will make in any one year. Funding must be spent within 12 months of the project start date, at which point any unspent funds are to be returned. Funds will be provided to successful applicants in the form of a cheque at the start of the project.

This scheme does not fund the purchase of resources for individual people with aphasia.

Successful applicants are responsible for seeking advice about and where appropriate securing ethical approval for their project work from the Ethics Committee of the organisation that they work for. You may be asked to provide the Committee with documentation to confirm ethical approval is in place/not required prior to the release of funds. If you intend to make a video final report (see below for details) for upload to the BAS website, you must have specific consent from all participants to permit this, and you will be required to show the Committee the consent forms.

Successful applicants agree to **acknowledge the support of the BAS Initiatives in Aphasia Seed Fund** during their project work and at any associated events (by using the BAS logo on materials etc.), and by name in any subsequent written report, presentation or media coverage.

Successful applicants are required to submit a **6 month update** including a summary of funds spent to date – this document should be no longer than 1 page of A4 and should be emailed to seedfund@bas.org.uk

At the end of the project, the project team are required to submit a **Final Report** that summarises their activities and key outcomes. The Final Report will take the form of a 500 word (maximum length) aphasia-friendly summary for inclusion in the BAS newsletter, plus EITHER (i) a poster (created in Powerpoint or similar, and submitted as a pdf) OR (ii) a video report of maximum length 5 minutes (submitted as an mpeg file) [choice of poster/video lies with funded individuals]. In addition, a 1 page report on how funds were spent is required (with receipts attached). The deadline for submission of these documents and materials to seedfund@bas.org.uk is one month after the end of the project. Posters/video reports will be uploaded to the BAS website. Applicants must provide evidence of having taken informed consent for video data of people with aphasia/carers/family members/members of the public etc. to be included in a video report and shown online.

All applicants are asked to refer to the Checklist below when preparing their application.

Eligibility:

The lead applicant must be a **member of BAS**.

Application process:

Applicants should email a completed Application Form to seedfund@bas.org.uk

The deadline for applications is **5pm on Friday 26th October 2018**

Checklist for applicants:

Please consider the following important issues as you plan your application. You will be asked to provide details on the application form about how you are dealing with them:

- **Ethical approval** – will your project need approval by your local Research Ethics Committee?
- **Consent** for video recording of participants – do you plan to make a Video Final Report? If so how will you ensure you have informed consent for participants to be video recorded and for clips to be put on the BAS website?