



Irish Cancer Society
Research

Patient Advocate in Cancer Research Award 2026



About this award



This is for new or experienced cancer research advocates

A cancer research advocate is a voice for cancer patients, who wants to learn new skills and meet new people in the cancer research space



This award will fund you to go to:

- Public Patient Involvement (PPI) activities
- Patient advocacy events
- Cancer research events... and so on!

These are a few examples, do ask us if you need more examples



“Event” will be used in this document, but this includes any workshop/ training/ activity you want to go to for your cancer research advocacy role

What will this award cover?



Event registration costs

Travel costs

Childcare costs during the event

Unpaid leave if you are a PPI contributor

Accommodation costs during the event

Meals

Things you need for PPI activities such as Microsoft office subscription, a webcam etc.



It's important you keep all the receipts

Please contact us for more details

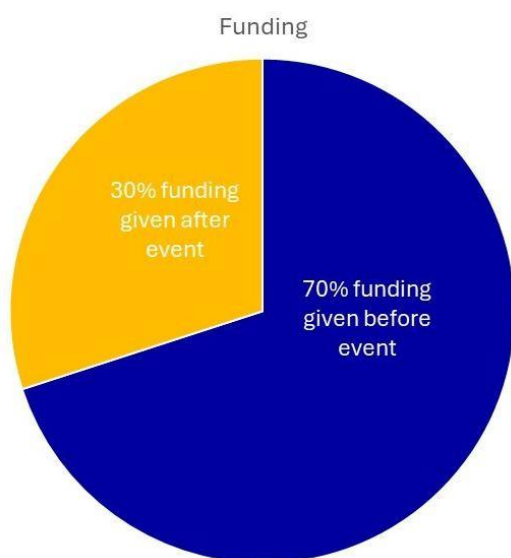
What's the timeline?

| What's happening? | By When? |
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| You can send us your application | Opens Tues 19 May 2026 |
| Deadline to send us your application | Closes Tues 1 Sept 2026 |
| When we decide who gets the award | September |
| Awardees announced | September/October |

Can I apply?

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| I have never done cancer research advocacy before | ✓ |
| I am a current cancer research advocate | ✓ |
| I am not part of the Irish Cancer Society PPI Panel | ✓ |
| I am part of the Irish Cancer Society PPI Panel | ✓ |
| I have won this award before | ✓ |
| I am on the PPI Panel of another organisation | ✓ |
| I am already funded to go to the event I had in mind | ✗ |
| I am a professional working in the cancer space | Please contact us |

How much funding and how long is this award for?



You can get up to €2,500 from this award outside EU/UK, €2,000 within EU/UK

The event(s) you want to go to must happen between November 2026 and January 2028

How does the Society decide?



We have a review panel who will read over your application to make sure it is achievable and reasonable

We will contact you with the result of your application whether successful or not

What happens if I am selected for this award?



You will get a welcome pack with all the details needed. This will include examples of a past award to use as guidance

After the event, you will need to send us

- 1) a report about what happened at the event and what you learned
- 2) a financial report showing your expenses
- 3) receipts

We will support you throughout your award!

How do I apply or get in touch?



Email ppi@irishcancer.ie



Or call 01 968 3723



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