

## MEG SIRD PATIENT CARE ASSISTANCE FUND

Meg Sird, Not for Profit (NFP) is pleased to offer financial assistance for cardiology patients in Armenia whose treatment options are limited by the cost of a particular device or procedure.

Financial assistance **must be requested by a physician** who can attest that the patient requires a specific therapeutic modality that is incompletely covered by either public or private health insurance in Armenia. The amount of financial assistance will be based on the cost of treatment and funding availability.

## **ELIGIBILITY**

To be eligible for assistance, the following requirements must be met:

- Applicant must be a cardiologist or cardiac surgeon who works in a hospital in Armenia
- Patient must be a citizen of Armenia
- Proposed treatment or procedure must be performed in a hospital in Armenia
- Proposed treatment is incompletely covered by either public or private health insurance
- Proposed treatment must have evidence-based rationale for being superior to any alternative that is covered by insurance

## APPLICATION PROCESS

Applications accepted on a rolling basis. Please complete the online form, then submit the following via email to <u>info@megsird.org</u>:

- 1. Curriculum vitae (as per online format)
- 2. Medical school diploma
- 3. Letter of support from department chief
- 4. Narrative summary of patient (12 point font, Times New Roman, double-spaced, English preferred, 3 page limit). Please include the following:
  - History of present illness including a synopsis of treatment for the problem
  - Past medical and surgical history
  - Current medications
  - Physical exam
- 5. Relevant testing reports (laboratory, pathology, radiology, cardiac catheterization, etc)
- 6. Rationale for proposed treatment including evidence in medical literature (12 point font, Times New Roman, double-spaced, English preferred, 2 page limit).
  - Therapeutic plan if proposed treatment cannot be obtained
- 7. Financials
  - a. Cost of proposed treatment
  - b. Amount covered by insurance
  - c. Amount that patient can pay

Applicants may be contacted for additional information and/or a virtual interview.