

SERTOMA'S PURPOSE

Sertoma exists for the high and noble purpose of **Service To Mankind** by communication of thoughts, ideas and concepts to accelerate human progress in health, education, freedom and democracy.

Sertoma, a national charity believes that universal communication, whether heard, seen or spoken, is the key to human understanding. The Annual Fund supports Sertoma's charitable and education programs through effective fund raising, investment of funds and the distribution of proceeds. Through the financial support, Sertoma's programs become the catalyst for great human understanding and **Service To Mankind**.

Sertoma's national mission is hearing health awareness. To that end Sertoma's hearing health programs help educate communities of the effects of noise induced hearing loss and to generate awareness of its irreversible effects. Together, Sertoma and its national Affiliates spread the hearing health mission. Sertoma named speech and hearing as its national sponsorship in 1963. The Adopt-An-Agency program was established in 1977 as a way for Sertoma clubs to foster relationships with existing speech and hearing facilities Today, Sertomans and their national Affiliate organizations continue to work to help others who have hearing loss and educate individuals of how to preserve their hearing.



EDUCATION-A continuing need

Sertoma recognizes when a person enters the communication disorders field it is with a life-long commitment to education and self development.

As a charity, Sertoma receives numerous requests for financial support or continuing education from its growing affiliate network. In response, Sertoma is pleased to underwrite the Professional Education Grants Program.

Sertoma's goal in providing these grants is to encourage Affiliates' employees to obtain additional training and professional development opportunities that will:

- Master new job skills
- Reinforce current techniques
- Promote the addition of new programs
- Uncover new information about communicative disorders
- Enhance the level of Service to Mankind provided by Sertoma Affiliates

Sertoma Professional Education Grants

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PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION GRANTS

FOR PROFESSIONAL STAFF
OF SERTOMA AFFILIATES



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PRO-ED GRANTS

Sertoma's Professional Education Grant Program provides tuition or registration for Sertoma Affiliate staff attending short courses, workshops, seminars and conferences for the purpose of enhancing professional skills and maintaining credentials in the field of speech and hearing,

Grants up to \$425 per Sertoma fiscal year are available. Application requests should meet the following criteria:

- Expand the service capability of the Affiliate
- Upgrade professional skills
- Endorsed or approved by a professional speech or hearing agency, such as ASHA, the American Society of Speech and Hearing Agencies, or a professional managerial association.

Each Affiliate may receive one grant per Sertoma fiscal year. A grant may cover several staff members attending together.

All grants must be pre approved. Applications must be received 30 days prior to need. Notification of approval or denial will be made within 10 working days of application receipt.

Grants are awarded on a first come first served basis, not to exceed the yearly budgeted amount. Please submit requests as early as possible.

Grants are paid following the event. Payment is made to the Affiliate upon verification of attendance. Verification must be submitted within 60 days of attendance or grant will be forfeited.

A PATH TO EXCELLENCE

Grants cover tuition and registration costs only. Application must be approved by the managing director of the Affiliate.

Examples of allowable workshops, conventions and conferences.

ASHA Meeting, AAA Meeting Conferences or Workshops on:

- Therapy for hearing impaired
- Neurological behavior
- Cochlear Implants
- Diagnostic Audiology
- Pediatric Head Injuries
- Occupational Hearing Conservation
- Clinical Management of Aphasia
- Argumentative/Alternative Communication
- Hearing Aid fitting
- Cleft Palate
- State Speech and Hearing Associations.

There are many other events which meet the criteria and are suitable for grants.

Professional Education Grants are a special benefit of Sertoma's Adopt-An-Agency Program. To apply please complete the form in this brochure and return it to: Sertoma Professional Education Grants, 720 Main St., Fl 1, Kansas City, MO 64105.



Professional Education Grant Application

As an Affiliate of Sertoma in good standing, we hereby apply for a Professional Education Grant. We understand the maximum grant is \$425 and grants must be pre-approved.

Name of Affiliate Director _____

Name of Affiliate _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone Number () _____

Names(s) of attendees _____

Name of seminar workshop or conference _____

Please attach a copy of the course announcement stating tuition/resigtration cost.

Location _____

Meeting Date _____

Meeting Sponsor _____

Tuition per registrant \$ _____

Reimbursement amount \$ _____

Provide a short statement of your objectives in taking this course.

Affiliate Director's signature _____ Date _____

Note: Applications must be received in the Sertoma office at least 30 days before the conference for full consideration.