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Take Advantage of TSF Fellowship Opportunities

The Society's charitable arm, the Thoracic Surgery Foundation (TSF), has opened its [2018 awards program](#). Three fellowships are available for residents.

- [Resident Research Fellowship](#): Provides support of up to \$30,000 per year for up to 2 years for general surgery or cardiothoracic surgery residents who wish to acquire investigational skills.
- [Nina Starr Braunwald Research Fellowship](#): Provides support up to \$30,000 per year for up to 2 years for a female resident working in a cardiac surgical clinic or laboratory research program.
- [Carolyn E. Reed Traveling Fellowship](#): Provides support of up to \$10,000 for female residents in their last year of a cardiothoracic surgery residency for traveling to another institution for the purpose of learning a new skill or technology.

The deadline to submit applications for all fellowships is October 15, 2017.

Read Archive of Career Development TweetChat

The STS Workforce on Career Development offers resources and mentoring for cardiothoracic surgeons in early practice development. As part of these efforts, the Workforce hosted its first TweetChat in late May on "Maximizing Mentorship Opportunities in CT Surgery." Topics included finding a good mentor, getting the most out of a mentoring relationship, and what makes a good mentor and good mentee. [View an archive of the TweetChat](#) and follow [@CTSurgCareers](#) for more information. You also can [access a list of frequently asked questions and answers](#).

Participate in the Next "Check Up With Congress" Call

Even though you are just starting your career, you can help make a positive impact on policy affecting the profession by participating in STS advocacy efforts. Check Up With Congress, the Society's series of conference calls with lawmakers in Washington, gives STS members the opportunity to ask questions and have their opinions heard on topics that affect cardiothoracic surgeons and patients. [Sign up for the next call](#) with Rep. Ami Bera, MD (D-CA), which will be held on Wednesday, September 13, at 6:00 p.m. ET. Rep. Bera recently received the STS Legislator of the Year award for his work to prevent the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services from unbundling global surgical payments.

Reminder: Access Annual Meeting Online for FREE

Don't forget to take advantage of your access to STS 53rd Annual Meeting Online, which is free for Candidate and Pre-Candidate Members. This web-based video presentation features presenter slide animation and cursor movement as if you were in the meeting room. [Log in with your STS Web Portal username and password](#) to experience cutting-edge scientific sessions, talks from renowned speakers, and thought-provoking debates—all from the comfort of your home or office.

Encourage Classmates to Attend CT Surgery in the Future Course

Sponsored by STS and the American College of Surgeons, CT Surgery in the Future is a hands-on course designed specifically for general surgery residents and medical students. The course will be held on Monday evening, October 23, during the ACS Clinical Congress in San Diego, California. Over dinner, participants will learn about available training programs and what a day in the life of a cardiothoracic surgeon looks like. Afterward, they will have ample time to practice specific CT surgery procedures. Please forward this e-mail to your fellow residents and classmates so they can [learn more and register](#).