

Grant application form - Project v2018 - A

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She attained her M.D. from Vinnitsa Medical University in 1988. Since 1993 she is Researcher at the Department of Gynecology of the Institute of Pediatrics, Obstetrics and Gynecology, In 2000, she received the PhD on a specialty "obstetrics and gynecology" (Certificate ДК №006207, issued on 15.03.2000) Starting from 2005 she has been nominated as Senior Researcher, Department of Endocrine Gynecology at the Institute of Pediatrics, Obstetrics and Gynecology, Since January 2014 - Doctor of medical sciences on a specialty- obstetrics and gynecology, (Certificate ДД №002894) From 2015 - Professor of the Ukrainian Military Medical Academy From 2016 to present, the leading researcher of the Department of Endocrine Gynecology of the Institute of Pediatrics, Obstetrics and Gynecology, the author 117 printed works, 2 monographies, 11 patents.

Olena Burlaka is the founder of the «Ukrainian Military Women's Health Initiative» – This is currently the first and only project, which is dedicated to gender specific the health-care needs of Ukrainian military servicewomen straightly in the eastern Ukraine combat zone.

The project is implemented within the framework of the memorandum with the Ministry of Defense of Ukraine №17116/3/1 dated 01.11.2017.

The «Ukrainian Military Women's Health Initiative» since 2015 is aimed at providing medical assistance, counseling and research on issues of the Reproductive health of military women in the zone of armed conflict as well as of returning female veterans.

In the frames of «Ukrainian Military Women's Health Initiative»-research named The Relationship among Indicators of Mental and Reproductive Health of Military Servicewomen deployed in the Current War Zone in the East of Ukraine) has been held. Results of this research have been presented on the 8th annual conference of Canadian Institute for

Military and Veteran Health Research, (Toronto, 2017).
<https://cimvhr.ca/documents/forum-abstracts-2017.pdf>.

Professional memberships

The Association of obstetricians and gynecologists of Ukraine
The Founding member of the Ukrainian Association of Gender Medicine.
The European Society of Gynecology
The European Society of Contraception and Reproductive Health

Submission date of this form

30-06-2018

Is the person responsible for the project different to the person named in box A

No

Title of the project	Actual issues of contraception and reproductive health of Ukrainian military women in the zone of armed conflict
Comprehensive description of the project: rationale, methods, approach, outcome (max 500 words)	<p>Increasing requirements for health care military women are related to the worldwide tendency of growth of female representation in the security and defense sphere.</p> <p>Ukrainian military women today is an unique, aever-growing demographic group, a part of modern European womanhood, who, in connection with the armed conflict in eastern Ukraine, have high health and life risks.</p> <p>According to previous studies, women soldiers in terms of military deployments seek medical help 2 times more often than their male counterparts. Wherein, the overwhelming majority of these appeals are connected with gender-specific medical problems, such as contraception, bleeding, menstrual cycle control/menstrual supression, hygiene issues, pregnancy.</p> <p>Such studies of reproductive health issues of Ukrainian military women in an armed conflict zone have not been held before. Study will be conducted in frames of valid memorandum with the Ministry of Defense of Ukraine №17116/з/1 dated from 01.11.2017. Objectives of the study are totally congruent with aims of ESC and are about carrying out epidemiological and sociological studies on contraception and reproductive health care facing female military servicewomen in the current war zone in the East of Ukraine.</p> <p>At the base of 3 Military Mobile Hospitals completion of questionnaires of 600 military women is planned, those, who serve in Joint Forces Operation zone in Donetsk and Lugansk regions. The level of awareness and use of different methods of contraception and STIs preventing by women in military conditions will be studied, as far as access to gender-specific medical assistance, availability of contraceptives and counselling services on reproductive health. Pregnant military women will additionally fill out the forms for London Measure of Unplanned Pregnancy (LMUP).</p> <p>Gained from first sources information will allow define the real state of the gender-specific medical problems of military women in the war zone and will facilitate the elaboration of mechanisms of its tackling. This study will become a base for further studies and will have not only expressive medical, but also social-economic impact.</p> <p>After the questionnaires, the consultations on contraception issues for military women will be held.</p> <p>According to the results of the study, the arrangement of round table together with politicians, deputies, healthcare organizers, military and civil medicians is planned.</p> <p>Outcomes: Poster or/workshop presentation to ESC Annual Congress, 2020</p>
When would it start / finish? (Max 20 words)	December 2018- October 2019
Where will it take place – country / town, establishment? (Max 20 words)	Donetsk and Luhansk regions of Ukraine, Military Mobile Hospitals
Objectives and needs identified. (Max 100 words)	The studies of reproductive health issues of Ukrainian military women in an armed conflict zone have not been held before. We will assess needs and level of use different contraceptive methods and reproductive health services by women in military conditions.
Sector in the area of contraception, sexual and reproductive health:	Contraception and reproductive health

Is it a 'new' project?	Yes
What outcomes will be measured? List. (Max 50 words)	The level of awareness and use of different methods of contraception and STIs preventing by women in military conditions The needs and level of use menstrual suppression, frequency of unplanned/unwanted pregnancies in active duty servicewomen
Do you foresee any reasons (political, climatic, etc) why this project may be adversely affected? (Max 20 words)	No. Completion of the study is guaranteed by the current Memorandum with the Ministry of Defense of Ukraine
Are there other partners or organisations supporting this same project?	Yes
If yes, list (Max 20 words)	CI "Ukraine Support Fund" Travelling and accommodation expenses
Will this be part of a larger fund or stand alone? (Max 20 words)	Stand alone. If successful, this study will become a base for subsequent research.
Have you already obtained any funding or still awaiting a response towards this project?	No
How much money is required for the project in total?	€12000
How much are you requesting from ESC?	€9000
Please provide a detailed budget here. This must include total costs and, if appropriate, list those costs associated with your grant from the ESC.	Total costs: 9000 € Organization and management 1000€ Development of the database 800 € Cost related to a questionnaire 4500€ Statistical analysis 800 € language editing 400 € Obtaining relevant reference material 200 € Printing costs (questionnaire and an informed consent form) 300 € Holding a round-table 500 € Publication of the round-table resolutions 500 €
The ESC may not be in a position to fully fund all applications; you must indicate whether / how part funding may impact your project. (Max 100 words)	It may influence the staffing budget cuts and the holding a round-table.

Who will oversee the budget & keep accounts? Provide name, title, contact number and email address

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If you or your department has received funding from ESC for a project or course before, please give details of the date of funding, contact person and title of project or course.

No

I/We, as responsible agents for this project, agree to the following 8 points:

	yes
I/We agree that all monies will be spent appropriately	✓
I/We agree to work with the nominated Mentor	✓
I/We agree to advise you at the earliest time if this project is delayed or cannot be completed	✓
I/We agree to provide an interim report(s) part way through the project and a final report to the ESC within 6 months of the end of the project.	✓
I/We agree to provide the ESC with an interim budget(s) and a detailed budget at the end of the project. NOTE funding will be awarded in stages and will be dependent on appropriate reporting.	✓
I/We agree to provide receipts for monies spent if requested.	✓
I/We agree that if we need to make any significant changes to the duration, contents or funding of the project after it has been awarded, I/we will advise the nominated mentor.	✓
I/We (the applicant) agree to acknowledge the ESC as a donor in any publications, submission of abstracts and oral communications resulting from this project. Please inform the ESC Office where and when the data is to be presented and/or published and note that ideally any manuscript should be sent to the ESC journal in the first instance.	✓
I/We agree to remain fully paid up ESC member(s) until the final grant report is submitted	✓

Full Name

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Date

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