## Purpose:

The John M. Templeton, Jr., MD Injury Prevention Research Scholarship is intended to support interventional trials in the field of injury prevention. Applications that solely investigate administrative or other large databases without a clearly described intervention will not be considered.

## **Eligibility Criteria:**

- Applicants must be citizens or permanent residents of the United States or Canada and demonstrate a commitment to an academic career in injury prevention within these countries.
- Applicants do not need to be physicians and may be enrolled in graduate medical education.
- Applicants must identify a mentor who will provide academic and scientific leadership.

## Applicant & Mentor Requirements:

- 1. Career Stage Requirement: Applicants must be within twenty (20) years following the completion of their chief year in surgical residency as of July 1, 2026.
- Membership: EAST membership is not required to apply. However, the applicant must have a
  mentor with expertise in injury prevention research. If both the applicant and mentor are not
  EAST members, a sponsor who is an active EAST member must be identified.
- 3. **Funding Restrictions:** This award supports **early-career investigators** who have **not** received significant funding from major governmental sources (e.g., **AHRQ, CDC**). However, applicants with other funding up to **\$30,000 annually** will still be considered.
- 4. **Finalist Requirements:** Finalists for the Templeton Injury Prevention Research Scholarship will be required to provide additional materials and may be invited to present their proposed research (details to be provided upon selection). Examples:
  - Status of Institutional Review Board (IRB) or Institutional
  - Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC) applications at the time of proposal
  - submission. Finalists will indicate if IRB/IACUC applications are approved, submitted,
  - or not submitted at the time of proposal submission.'
- 5. Recipients of the Templeton Injury Prevention Scholarship are expected to have IRB/IACUC approval by July 1st of the year in which they receive the award, and must provide documentation of approval to the Research and Scholarship Committee by this date. Scholarship funds will not be awarded until appropriate documentation is provided.

## Terms:

- 1. Award is made to the institution only
- 2. Funds must be used for direct support of the awardee, but otherwise unrestricted
- 3. No indirect costs are payable to the institution