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The Seema Sonnad Junior Riders Grant Administered by the USEA Foundation

The Seema Sonnad Junior Riders' Grant is available to a Junior Rider aged 18 and under who is competing successfully at the CCI1* level and who is working towards representing his or her Area at the NAJYRC team competition in 2016. The grant is intended to assist the recipient develop the essential horsemanship skills required for a successful transition from the Junior Rider ranks to the Young Rider CCI2* level. The grant may be used for expenses related to equestrian education, coaching, training, and competing.

The USEA Foundation will administer the processes of the grant's intent on behalf of the family of Seema Sonnad. Eligible riders will be in good standing with the USEA and will have *successfully completed a CCI one-star competition during 2015*. An independent panel will review the results and performance of all eligible candidates when making their selection. The Seema Sonnad Junior Riders' Grant will be awarded at the USEA Annual Awards Luncheon at the USEA Annual Meeting in Washington, D.C. on December 4, 2015.

At the end of 2016, the successful recipient will be expected to write an essay highlighting his or her educational experiences throughout the year for inclusion in the USEA's *Eventing USA* magazine and/or for posting on the USEA website. The recipient must keep complete accounting records and receipts for all funds used and submit these to the USEA Foundation by November 30 2016. Funds must be used within the calendar year following receipt of the grant. Any funds used for inappropriate activities must be repaid to the Seema Sonnad Junior Riders' Grant care of the USEA Foundation.

No grant may be conferred upon, or inure to, the benefit of a member or relative of: (a) the USEA staff, Board of Governors, Foundation Trustees, or Committee Chairs; or (b) a member of any Area Council of the USEA (their relatives are eligible as long as the member in question is completely removed from the process of identifying the grant recipient(s)).