EMD serono's request Management system

How to Use EMD Serono's Online System to Respond to the RFP for 2024 I'M IN Neurodisparity Fellowship

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Overview

• This Presentation is for organizations who want to submit a Proposal in response to EMD Serono's *Request for Proposals*:

2024 I'm IN Neurodisparity Fellowship

Advancing Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in Healthcare: Reducing Disparities in Neurologic Care for Patients with Multiple Sclerosis

- How to Submit: Proposals must be submitted through EMD Serono's Request Management
 System at www.grants.emdserono.com. This Presentation walks you through how to use our
 system to submit your Proposal. We do not accept Proposals sent via email.
- Deadline: Proposals must be submitted by <u>Saturday, September 30, 2023</u>, midnight (EST)



High-Level Overview of the Process

Request Submitted

Request is submitted online through Request Management
 System at https://grants.emdserono.com

Review by Review Committee

• For most types of Requests, decisions are made within 45 days



- If approved, written funding agreements are required for:
 - Patient Education
 - Fellowships
 - Donations to Independent Charity Patient Assistance Programs

Reconciliation of Request

 Funding Reconciliation is required for all Requests with funding agreements (see above), plus Sponsorships/ Exhibits



Already a Registered User?

If you submitted a Proposal for last year's Neurodisparity Fellowship, then you are already a "registered user".

Jump forward to slide 16 for your next step.

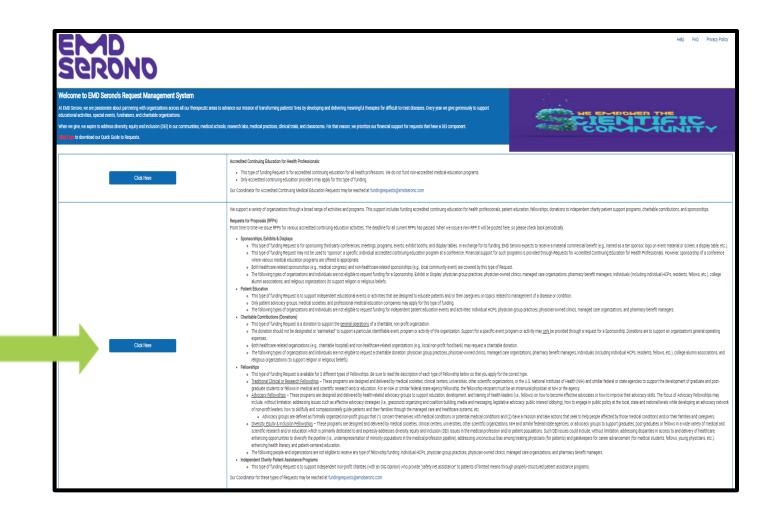
New users go the next page.



To register as a new user:

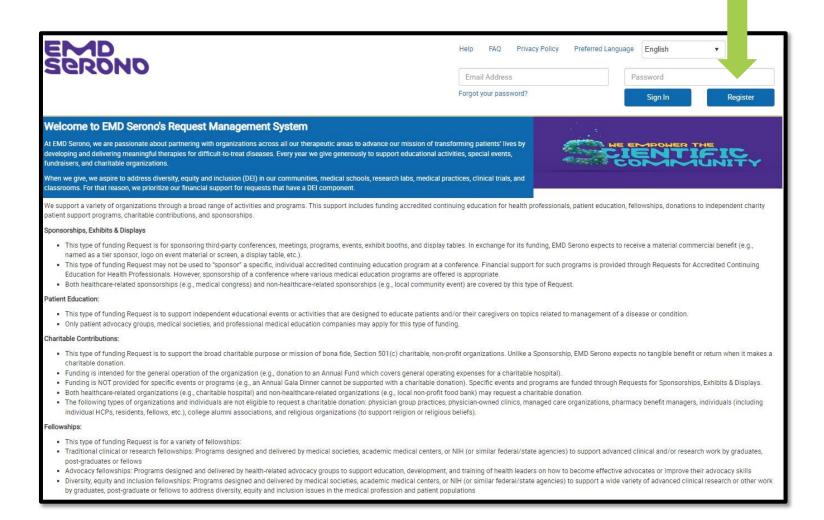
Step 1 – go to our website at www.grants.emdserono.com and click the second "Click Here" button on the left-hand side of the screen.

This brings you to the part of the system where a funding request can be submitted.





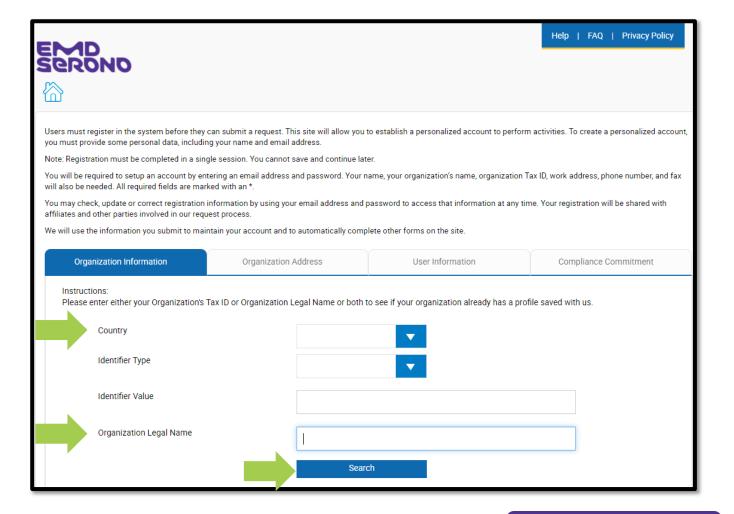
Step 2 – <u>Click</u> the "Register" button on the top right-hand side of the screen





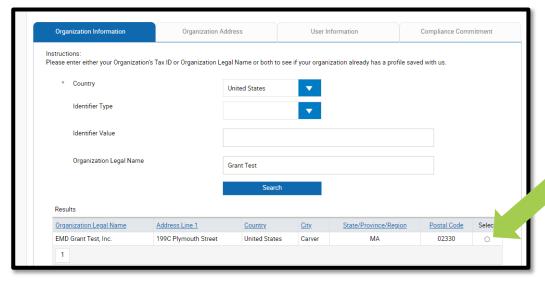
Step 3 – Search for your organization to make sure you don't already have a user account

Enter the country (United States) and your organization's legal name (no need to fill out the other fields) and then click the "search" button

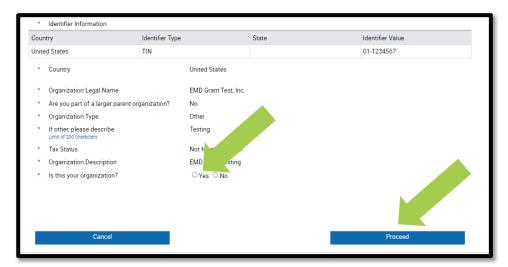




Step 4 – If your organization <u>does</u> appear in the search results, there is no need to create a new user or a new organization in the Request Management System.



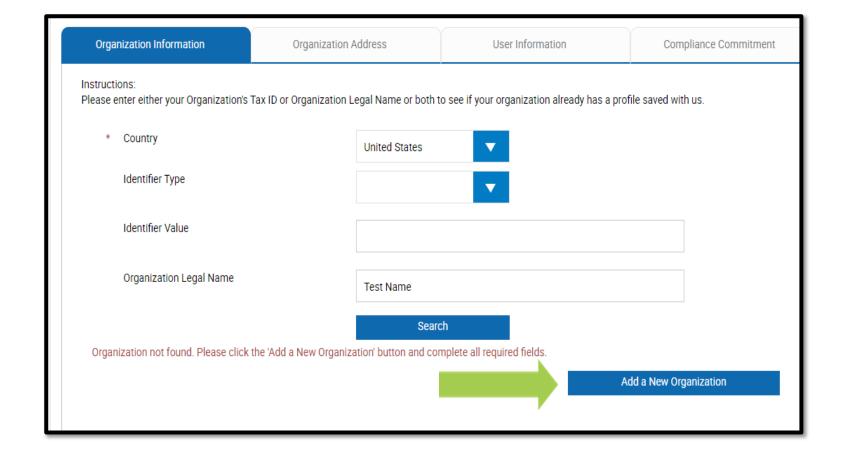
 <u>Click</u> the radio button under the "Select" column and your organization's information will automatically pop up.



- Then <u>click</u> the "Yes" radio button next to "Is this your organization?"
- Then <u>click</u> the "Proceed" button.
- Jump forward to page 18 for your next steps.



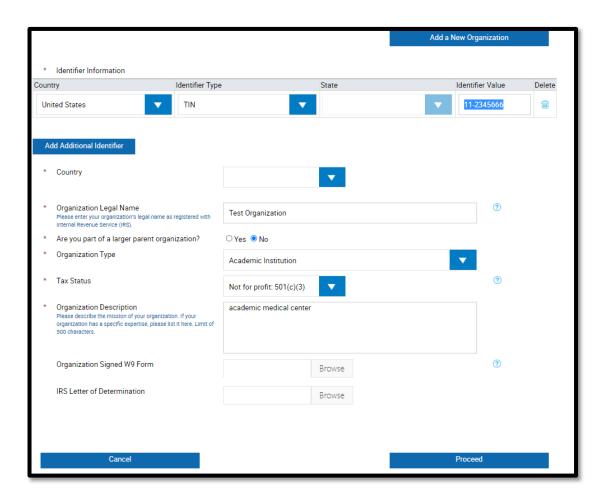
Step 5 – If your organization is not found, then <u>click</u> "Add a New Organization"





Step 6 – Fill out the "**Identifier Information**" at the top:

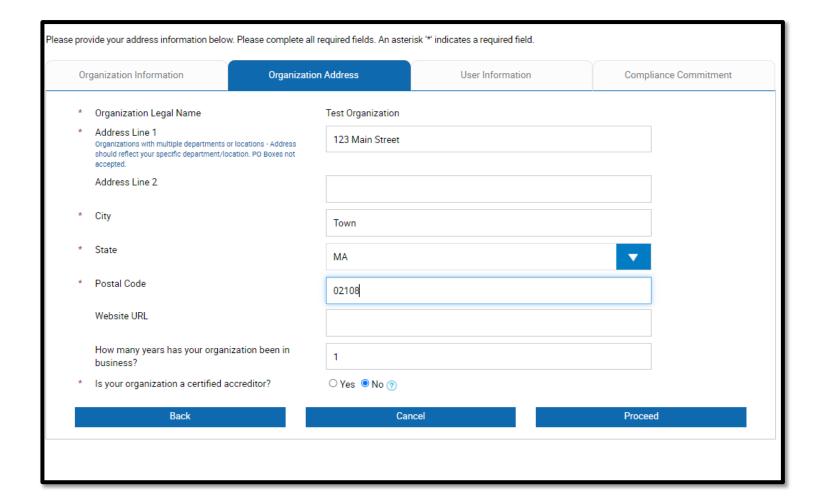
- Country "United States"
- Identifier type "TIN"
- State LEAVE BLANK
- Identifier Value type in your Federal Tax Identification #
- Then fill out the "Add Additional Identifier" section.
- Then upload a signed W9 Form (blank W9 form available at www.irs.gov/FormW9)
- Then <u>ONLY IF</u> you're a non-profit organization, upload your IRS Letter of Determination (i.e., non-profit status) (copy available at https://apps.irs.gov/app/eos/)
- <u>Click</u> "Proceed" when you're done





Step 7 – Fill out the "Organization Address" tab

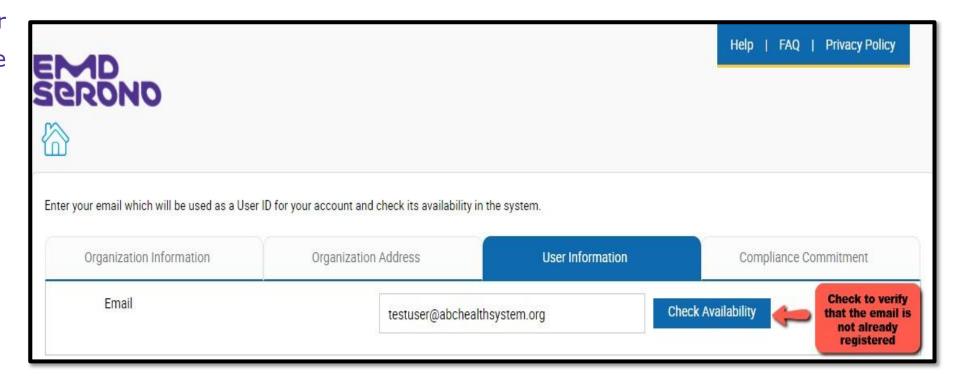
- If you do not have a website, leave this field blank (do not type in "none" or "N/A")
- The last question about being a "certified accreditor" does not apply to fellowships, so click the "no" radio button
- Then <u>click</u> "Proceed"





Step 8 – On the "User Information" tab, type in your email address

• Click "Check
Availability" to
make sure the
email isn't already
registered

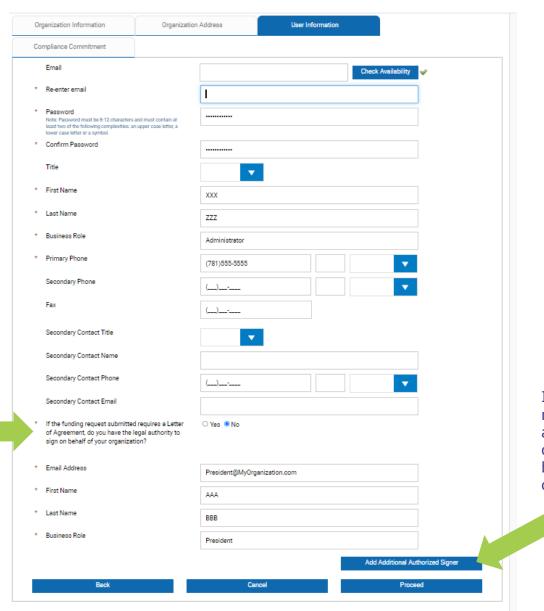




Step 9 – Enter your email, a password, and the other information requested.

- For the question "If the funding request submitted requires a Letter of Agreement, do you have the legal authority to sign on behalf of your organization?"
- If someone besides you is the official signer for agreements, enter their contact information. If your Request is accepted, our system will automatically forward an Agreement to this person to sign. Otherwise, the Agreement will be sent to you to sign.

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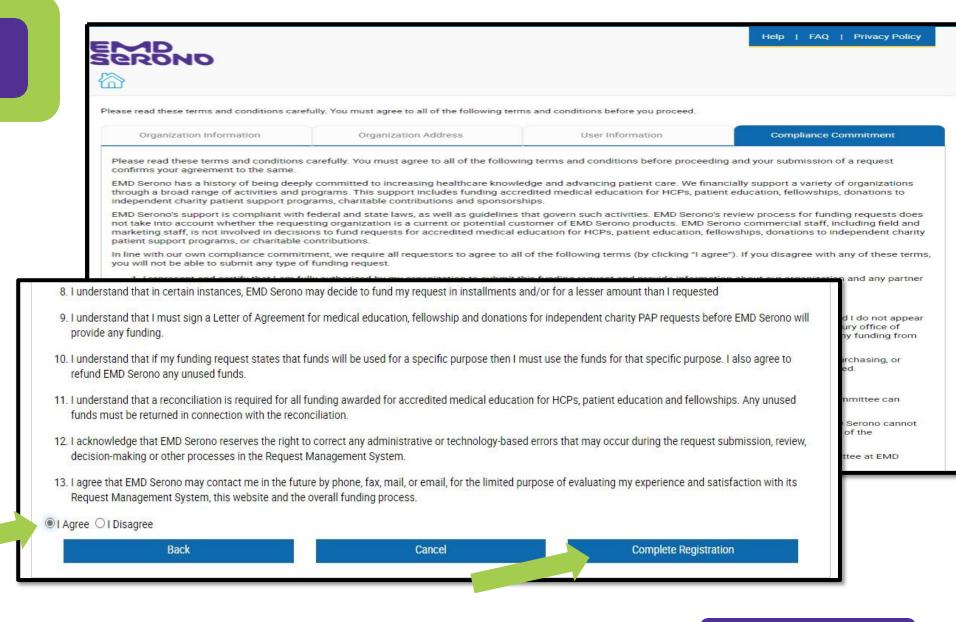


If a second person needs to sign agreements at your organization, click this button and add their contact information



Step 10 – Read our Compliance Commitment

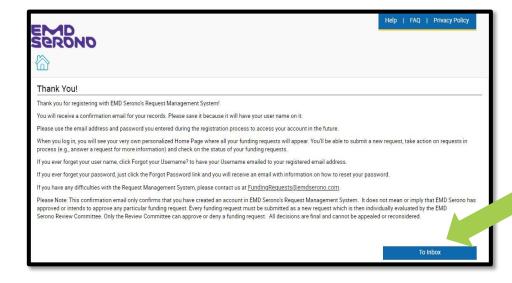
Click the "I Agree"
 button and then
 click the "Complete
 Registration" button

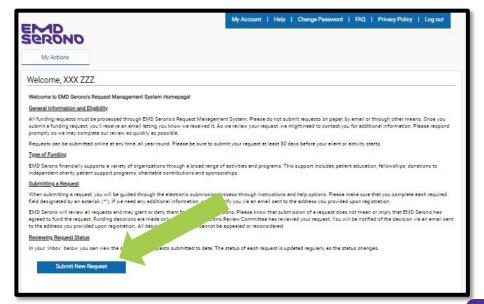




You are now registered. You will receive an email confirming your registration.

- To submit your Fellowship Proposal, <u>click</u> "To Inbox"
- On the next screen which appears, <u>click</u> "Submit New Request"





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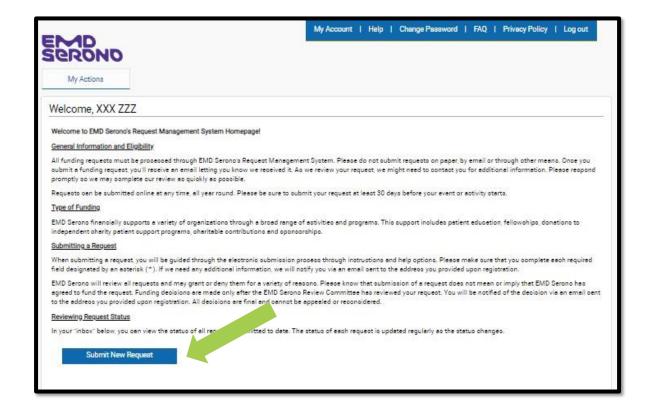
How to Submit a Proposal

(called a "Request" in the system)

 After logging in to the system, <u>Click</u> on "Submit New Request"

Confirmation Email

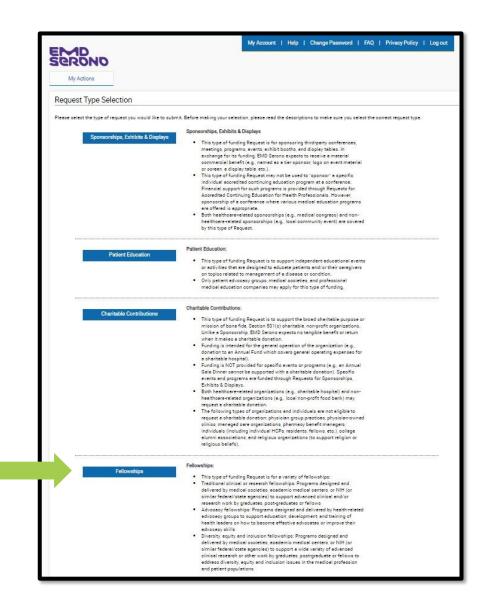
 Once your Request is submitted, you will receive a confirmation email.





Funding Requests

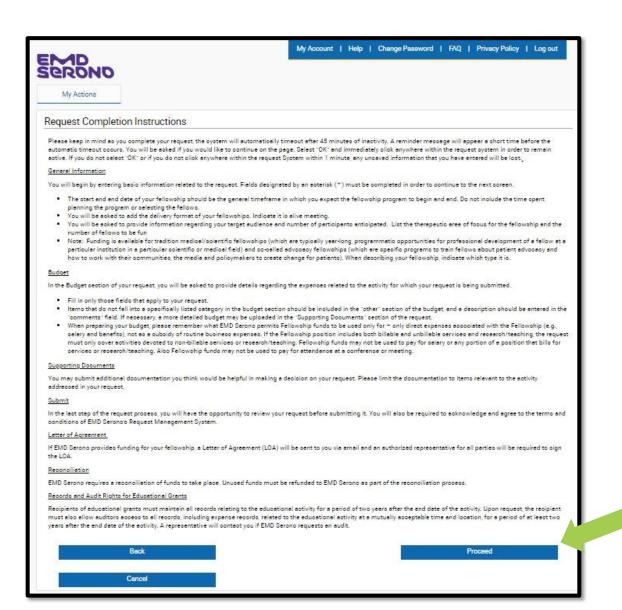
• <u>Click</u> on "Fellowships"





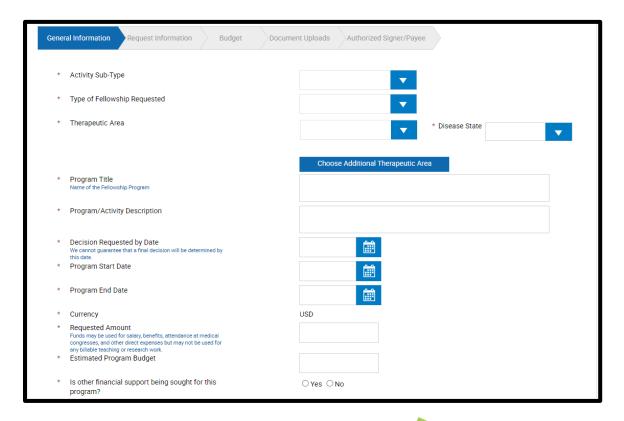
Funding Requests

- Read the "Request Completion Instructions"
- Then <u>click</u> the "Proceed" button
- You will then be brought to the "application" page for the Fellowship.





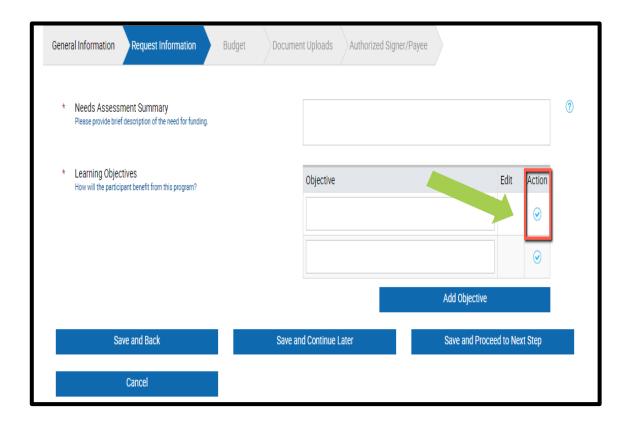
- Complete the "General Information" tab. Fill out the fields as shown below:
 - Activity Sub-Type: select "Fellowships"
 - Type of Fellowship Requested: "DEI Fellowship"
 - Therapeutic Area: Neurology
 - <u>Disease State</u>: MS
 - Program Title: IMPORTANT You must type in "RFP: 2024 I'M IN EMD Serono Neurodisparity Fellowship"
 - Program/Activity Description: IMPORTANT You must type in
 "Neurodisparity Fellowship see document with Detailed Information
 about Fellowship Program, which has been uploaded." See the "Fellowship
 Proposal Checklist" attached to the RFP for instructions on what to include
 in this document.
 - Program End Date: This may be any date on or before <u>July 1, 2025</u>.
 - <u>Does Request have DEI aspect?</u> <u>IMPORTANT</u> select "yes" and then type
 "See document with Detailed Information about Fellowship Program, which has been uploaded."
 - Fill out all other fields and <u>Click</u> "Save and Proceed to Next Step"



* Does this Request have a diversity, equity or inclusion aspect to it?	○Yes ○No	
Save and Back	Save and Continue Later	Save and Proceed to Next Step
Cancel		



- Complete the "Request Information" tab.
 Fill out fields as indicated below:
 - Needs Assessment Summary: Tell us about the "need" your fellowship will address. If the need is fully described in the document with Detailed Information about Fellowship Program (see prior slide), then type: "See attached upload."
 - <u>Learning Objectives</u>: The system requires you to enter at least one Learning Objective for your Fellowship.
 - IMPORTANT: You must type in an objective and then click the checkmark under the "Action" column on the far right. Once you do, a pencil icon will appear in the "Edit" column. If you wish, you may type in a second objective and then click the checkmark next to it.
- When done, <u>click</u> "Save and Proceed to Next Step"

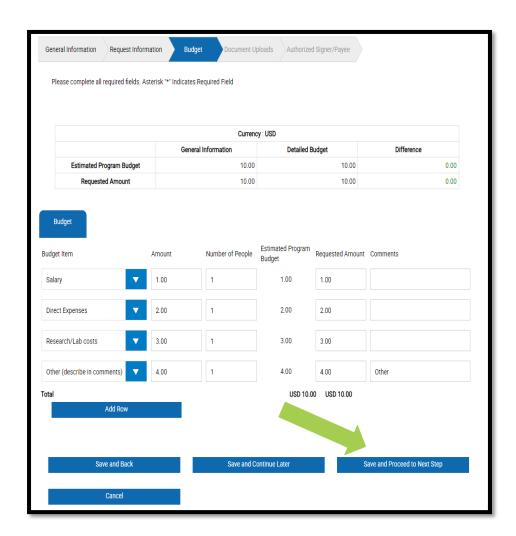




Complete the "Budget" tab

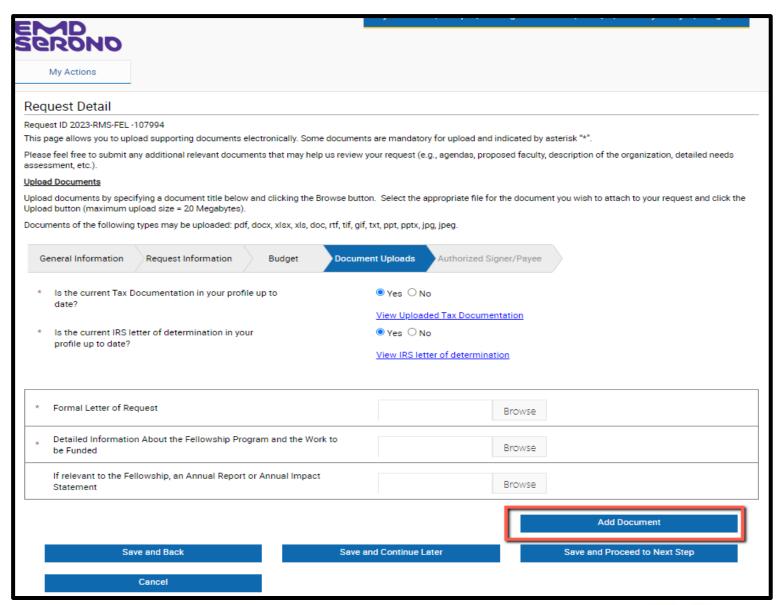
• <u>Tips</u>:

- The amount of the "Estimated Program Budget" and "Request Amount" will be prepopulated from the "Request Information" tab. The "Detailed Budget" column will show zeros and the "Difference" column will appear in red until you add your Budget Items.
- The most common Fellowship expenses tend to be Salary, Direct Expenses (such as fringe benefits), and Other costs (such as travel to a congress, congress registration, publication expenses, etc.)
 - "Amount" this field is asking for the TOTAL dollar amount needed for the Fellowship program (e.g., \$400,000), which often is in excess of the amount provided by EMD Serono.
 - "Number of People" the number of people supported by this amount
 - "Requested Amount" IMPORTANT: this is the amount requested from EMD Serono (not to exceed a total of \$150,000) and often will not be the TOTAL dollar amount needed; other funding sources may be needed.
- When done, the "Detailed Budget" column will be filled out and the "Difference" column will show zeros.
- Click "Save and Proceed to Next Step"



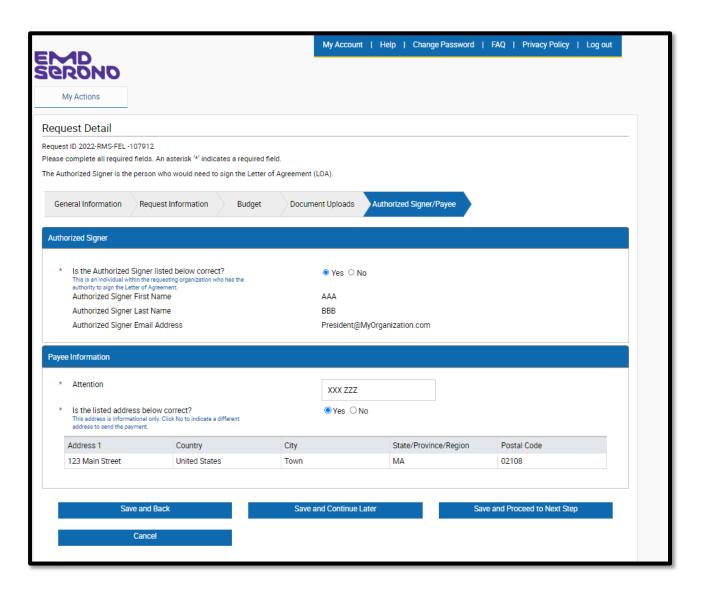


- Complete the "Document Uploads" tab
 - Formal Letter of Request: On institutional letterhead from the person responsible for your Fellowship Program; need only be 1 paragraph long
 - <u>Detailed Info About Fellowship Program</u>: See the "Fellowship Proposal Checklist" attached to the RFP for instructions on what to include in this document.
 - Annual Report: For purposes of this RFP, no need to upload an Annual Report or Annual Impact Statement.
 - Additional documents can be uploaded by <u>clicking</u> the "Add Document" box.
 - <u>Click</u> "Save and Proceed to Next Step"



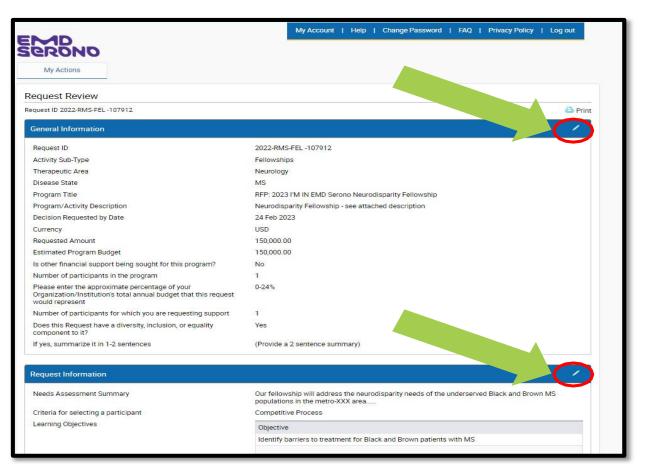


- Complete the "Authorized Signer/Payee" tab
 - If someone besides you must sign the Fellowship Agreement, list that person here.





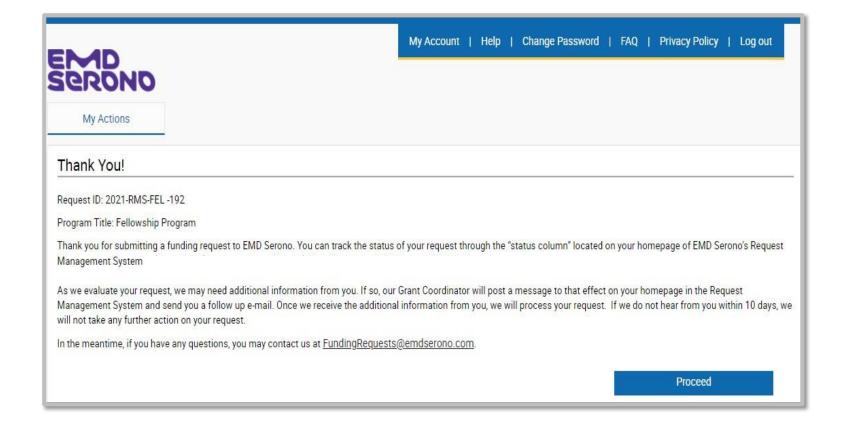
- On the "Review Request" page, review all the information to make sure it is correct.
- If you need to revise any information, <u>click</u> the "pencil" icon in the blue bar on the far right-hand side (circled in red)
- At the bottom of the page, you must read and agree to our Compliance Commitment by <u>ticking both boxes</u> and then <u>click</u> "Proceed".
- This submits your Proposal.



Agreement				
* 🔲 I agree to the Compliance Commitment of EMD Serono. If EMD Serono approves this request, we will make an appropriate disclosure of its support.				
* 🗆 I represent and certify that if this fellowship program is funded, no part of the funds will be used for any billable teaching/research work.				
Cancel	Back	Proceed		



- After submitting your Request, you will see a "Thank You" screen which acknowledges your submission
- If you want to go to your inbox, <u>click</u> the "Proceed" button





Note about Fellowship Agreement and Method of Payment

- If your proposal is selected for funding, you will need to sign our Fellowship Agreement.
- Full payment will be made about 2 to 3 weeks later.
- To increase security and reliability, all payments are now made via electronic ACH transfers.
 - Checks are no longer used.
- If your organization has received funding from EMD Serono before, then we already have your banking information.

First-Time Funding Recipients

 If your organization has not received funding from EMD Serono before, then we will contact you to set up an ACH transfer.



After the Fellowship: How close out works

Reconciliation

- After a Fellowship has been completed, a reconciliation via the portal will need to be done.
 - In the reconciliation, you indicate whether you have used all the Fellowship funding. If not, you will be asked to return any unused funds.
 - You will automatically receive an email when it is time to do a reconciliation.



If you have any questions about this *Request for Proposals*, please contact Leigh-Ann Durant, Head of North America Medical Governance, at leigh-ann.durant@emdserono.com or (781) 492-7398.

If you have any questions about the *EMD Serono Request Management System*, please contact Claudia White, our Request Coordinator, at fundingrequests@emdserono.com or (212) 589-3507.

