Abstract Selection Criteria for 2015 APA Region 4 Conference

- 1. Abstracts will be judged on the relevance and quality of the submission criteria will include originality of the work, importance of the research, quality of the research design and data analysis, conclusions, and the quality of the presentation.
- We welcome a broad range of work including quantitative and qualitative clinical research, quality improvement studies, studies in medical education, history of medicine, advocacy, community programs, scientific methods, and international health projects. We will not accept case reports.
- 3. Priority will be given to trainees medical students, residents, and fellows.
- 4. We aim for a broad group of presenters, so priority will be given to studies that have not previously been presented at this meeting and, while multiple abstract submissions are welcome, we may limit each presenter to one abstract if we cannot accommodate all abstracts.
- 5. Please indicate your preference for platform, poster, or either (no preference). We will try to accommodate your requests depending on the number of submissions.

Abstract Size and Format

- 1. The entire abstract (including title, author list/affiliations, body, and any tables or figures) must fit onto one 8.5"x11" page using 1" page margins and Times New Roman 12-point font (tables and figures may include font as small as 9-point).
- 2. Please use a structured format with subheadings (e.g. objectives, patients and methods, results and conclusions for research-focused submissions OR program/project objectives, target population, program/project description, methods/strategies, results/impacts, conclusions/key lessons learned for non-research-focused submissions).
- 3. Please submit as a Word document.

APA Region IV Trainee Presentation Awards

If the first (and presenting) author is a trainee, please note the level of training on your abstract submission—medical student, resident or fellow. It is our intention to consider all accepted abstracts of trainees for a limited number of small stipends to help defray the costs of travel to the Pediatric Academic Societies Meeting. Award winners will be announced before the PAS meeting. Presentation at the regional conference is required to be considered for an award.

Submission Deadline

All abstracts must be received on the conference website:

<u>https://www.academicpeds.org/secure/meeting/region4meeting</u> no later than December 15, 2014 to be eligible for consideration. Payment for registration is not necessary to submit an abstract. However, all presenters of selected abstracts must eventually register and pay the registration fee to present.

Prior Presentations and Publications

We will consider research submitted that has been previously presented or published in manuscript form.

Conflict of Interest/Disclosure

Abstracts submitted for presentation must include an acknowledgment of funding sources of commercial nature and/or consulting or holding of significant equity in a company that could be affected by the results of the study. This statement should appear as the last sentence of the abstract.

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