

# **THE PAIN SOCIETY OF THE CAROLINAS**

## **2016 ANNUAL MEETING CALL FOR ABSTRACTS**

**SEPTEMBER 23-25, 2016 AT THE OMNI GROVE PARK INN  
ASHEVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA**



### **CALLING ALL TRAINEES AND NEW PHYSICIANS/HCP'S**

Abstract submission is now open – submit your abstract on basic science, clinical practice, interesting case on or before August 12 - if you are a Trainee, you may be awarded free registration and be eligible to win a cash prize for Best Abstract - including the opportunity to present your abstract in the annual Trainee Oral Poster Competition on Friday, September 23, 2016

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**ABSTRACT SUBMISSION DEADLINE: August 12, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. Eastern**

*ONLY TRAINEES (RESIDENTS, FELLOWS, AND MEDICAL STUDENTS) OR PHYSICIANS IN PRACTICE FIVE YEARS OR LESS MAY SUBMIT AN ABSTRACT.*

## INTRODUCTION

Following another successful Pain Society of the Carolina's Trainee Abstract Competition, we are pleased to announce the ***CALL FOR ABSTRACTS*** for posters and or oral presentations at the 2016 Annual Meeting and Scientific Sessions, September 23-25, 2016 at the Omni Grove Park Inn, Asheville, North Carolina. We invite all Trainees (Residents, Fellows, Medical Students, trainee HCP's) with an interest in pain management to submit an abstract on or before August 12, 2016. The Pain Society of the Carolinas Program Committee will review all submitted abstracts and will determine whether abstracts will be accepted for poster presentation. All poster presentations by Trainees will then be eligible to participate in an Oral Poster Competition on Friday, September 23, 2016. Notification regarding the status (accepted or rejected) will be sent to the presenting author of the abstract by: August 19, 2016

Trainees invited to participate in the poster competition receive the following:

1. Waived registration to the 2016 Annual Meeting and Scientific Sessions September 23-25, 2016 at the Omni Grove Park Inn, Asheville, North Carolina.
2. Complimentary 2016-2017 Trainee membership in the Society
3. Trainee Dinner and program titled "How to Negotiate your First Employment Contract" on Friday, September 23, 2016.

In addition, there will be up to four (4) prizes for "Best of Meeting" Abstracts: one based on the abstract submission and three for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the Oral Poster Competition. Each winner of the "Best of Meeting competition" must attend the Annual Meeting to receive the following:

1. A Cash Prize (up to \$500)
2. Award Presentation at the Annual Business Meeting on Saturday, September 24, 2016.
3. Award Recognition on the Society Website [www.carolinapain.org](http://www.carolinapain.org).

The presenting author must be a trainee (Resident, Fellow, Medical Student, Trainee HCP) and is required to ensure that all co-authors are aware of the content of the abstract before submission to the Program Committee. Co-authors need not be practicing five years or less, Residents, Fellows, or Medical Students.

Only the abstracts of registered presenting authors will be included in the final program and on the program materials distributed to attendees.

All abstracts accepted for poster presentation will be part of a poster competition with a three-minute oral presentation component to be held at the meeting.

## SCORING CRITERIA

Abstracts will be scored using the following criteria:

Each abstract will be awarded up to 5 points in each of four categories (total 20 = best score)

- Category 1 – Originality
- Category 2 - Clinical Relevance
- Category 3 – Clarity of Writing
- Category 4 – Overall Impression

## SUBMISSION

Submit directly to: [terri@carolinapain.org](mailto:terri@carolinapain.org)

## RULES FOR SUBMISSION

All abstracts must be submitted and presented in clear English with accurate grammar and spelling of a quality suitable for publication. If you need help, please arrange for the review of your abstract by a colleague who is a native English speaker, by a university scientific publications office (or other similar facility) or by a copy editor, prior to submission. All abstracts must be submitted in Microsoft WORD format.

The author is expected to attend the meeting and present the poster . If an abstract was previously submitted to a different meeting it may still be submitted to the Pain Society of the Carolinas Annual Meeting and Scientific Sessions.

## GUIDELINES FOR SUBMISSION

Before you begin: please prepare the following information:

- Presenting Author's Contact Details
- Full first and family name(s) (as you wish for these to be published on the Program USB and Final Program)
- Full postal address
- Email address (required as all communications will be by electronic mail)
- Daytime and evening phone numbers
- Author and Co-Authors' Details
- Affiliation details: department, institution / hospital, city, state (if relevant), country
- Abstract Title (Limited to 25 words)
- Abstract Text
- Limited to 500 words - (Please Note: word count is affected when graphs/tables/images are added)

Abstract topic: Abstracts must be allocated to a specific topic for the scientific program. Please choose from the following topics:

- Basic Science
- Clinical Application
- Medically Challenging Case

Abstract Layout: Abstracts must be submitted with the following sections:

- Basic Science and Clinical Application Abstracts:
  - Introduction
  - Material and methods

- Results
- Discussion
- References
- Medically Challenging Case Abstracts
  - Introduction
  - Case Description
  - Discussion
  - References

Funding: There also should be mention of any funding from grants or by any manufacturer or third-party research funding.

Tables: The maximum number of tables allowed per abstract is 3. Each table should be smaller than 10 rows x 10 columns. Each row of the table will be counted as 10 words against your 500-word total.

Graphs and images: For upload the maximum of 2 graphs are allowed. Each graph is counted as 10 words. The maximum file size of each graph is 500 KB. The maximum pixel size of the graph is 600(w) x 800(h) pixel. You may upload graphs and images in JPG format only. If your file size or pixel size is too large, you have to resize your graph accordingly. After uploading the graph you have to place it into the abstract text. It is not mandatory to include a graph in your abstract submission.

Draft abstracts:

The submission to [Terri@carolinapain.org](mailto:Terri@carolinapain.org) does NOT allow you to store your abstract as a draft in order to make changes. Please note that abstracts must be SUBMITTED before the deadline in order to be sent to review for inclusion in the scientific program.

**CONFIRMATION**

Please be advised that you will be requested to confirm the following information when you submit your abstract. *I confirm that I previewed this abstract and that all information is correct. I accept that the content of this abstract cannot be modified or corrected after final submission and I am aware that it will be published exactly as submitted. Submission of the abstract constitutes my consent to publication (e.g. meeting website, program, other promotions, etc.) The Abstract Submitter warrants and represents that he/she is the sole owner or has the rights of all the information and content ("Content") provided to The Pain Society of the Carolinas. The publication of the abstract does not infringe on any third party rights including, but not limited to, intellectual property rights. The Abstract Submitter grants the Pain Society of the Carolinas a royalty-free, perpetual, irrevocable nonexclusive license to use, reproduce, publish, translate, distribute, and display the Content. The Pain Society of the Carolinas reserves the right to remove from any publication an abstract that does not comply with the above.*

*I herewith confirm that the contact details saved in this system are those of the corresponding author, who will be notified about the status of the abstract. The corresponding author is responsible for informing the other authors about the status of the abstract.*

**IMPORTANT NOTE – YOUR LOCAL ETHICS COMMITTEE APPROVAL**

Only work that has received your local animal or human ethics committee approval as appropriate will be considered for presentation and publication. A statement indicating ethics committee approval has been granted should be incorporated into the abstract and you will be requested to confirm that

approval has been applied for/granted before you submit your abstract. When submitting your abstract, please upload your Ethics Committee Approval as a picture or as text pasted into the Abstract text field. Abstracts that have not received approval will not be accepted - unless they fit into the special categories below.

Your Local Ethics Committee approval is required for the following scenarios:

1. If there are patients involved in the study
2. Anonymous Retrospective Data Collection – unless local committee authorizes otherwise
3. Audit Study – unless local committee authorizes otherwise

Your Local Ethics committee approval is NOT required for the following scenarios:

1. Questionnaire survey of medical personnel
2. Case studies – with patient consent
3. Literature reviews
4. Historical research
5. Research performed on artificial model
6. Evaluation performed during pre-operative session – with receipt of informed consent

#### **CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION**

Presentations must be objective and free of commercial bias and any information regarding commercial products or services must be based on scientific methods generally accepted by the medical community. When discussing therapeutic options, speakers are asked to use only generic names. If it is necessary to use a trade name, then those of several companies are to be used. Further, should presentations include discussion of any unlabeled/ investigational use of a commercial product then speakers are required to disclose that information to the audience.

Please choose one option:

- I declare that there are no conflicts of interest or support that may cause bias in my presentation.
- I confirm that I am aware of conflicts of interest in my presentation. I agree to declare this conflict of interest at the beginning of my presentation during the meeting.

#### **COPYRIGHTED FIGURES**

Please choose one option:

- I declare that there are no copyrighted figures, images in my presentation.
- I declare that I have obtained permission from the owner of the copyrighted figures, images in my presentation.