

## Call for Abstracts!

### 2019 TPMA Southwest Foot and Ankle Conference

TPMA will be accepting abstracts for its 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Poster Competition at the 2019 TPMA Southwest Foot and Ankle Conference to be held at Embassy Suites Hotel and Convention Center in Frisco, Texas, September 12-15, 2019.

All accepted Posters will be displayed at the conference on September 13-14, 2019. The top 4 posters will have the opportunity to present their research during the general session on Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup> from 10:30am-11:30am.

The competition will have a separate category for industry-sponsored posters that will be displayed but will not be evaluated for the poster abstract competition.

#### **Abstract Submission Timeline:**

Abstracts will be accepted beginning **April 1, 2019** with the final deadline of **July 15, 2019** at 11:59pm CST. Abstracts should be submitted to [staff@txpma.org](mailto:staff@txpma.org). Acceptance notifications will occur on **July 22, 2019**.

#### **PDF Poster Submission Timeline:**

All accepted posters must submit a pdf poster to [staff@txpma.org](mailto:staff@txpma.org) by **August 1, 2019**; AND a paper poster must also be brought to the conference for display.

**Poster Research Presentation Timeline:** The top 4 posters will be notified on **August 12, 2019**. The top 4 posters will present their research during the general session on Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup> from 10:30am-11:10am. Final Poster or PowerPoint presentation for the general session talk must be submitted to [staff@txpma.org](mailto:staff@txpma.org) by **August 30, 2019**.

#### **Guidelines:**

Original research pertaining to the foot and ankle is suitable for the poster competition. This may include, but is not limited to, retrospective studies, prospective studies, systematic reviews and meta-analyses. Case studies and series will also be considered with sufficient follow-up on topics of interest. Published studies and studies accepted for publication will be considered if they are not in full print at the time of submission. Abstracts may be submitted by residents or non-residents. Abstracts should be no more than 300 words (for introduction, aim, methods, results and conclusions) and must include the following sections:

**Title:** For non-sponsored posters, please use generic names, if possible.

**Authors:** List primary author first and the rest in order of work contribution, with affiliations.

**Poster Category:** Sponsored or Non-sponsored.

**Level of Evidence:** Level of evidence guide may be found on ACFAS website (<http://www.acfas.org/>).

**Introduction:** Brief background of selected study topic.

**Aim:** Specific aim of the study.

**Methods:** Concise summary of methods, procedures, and/or patient selection.

**Results:** Principal results or findings. Please include appropriate statistics for comparison, if used (i.e. p-values, confidence intervals, etc.).

**Conclusions:** Conclusions based on findings of the study. Please ensure conclusions are supported by your findings.

Abstracts that are entered in both Poster Competition and Research Symposium are only eligible to win one competition.

**Poster Abstract Evaluations:**

Only non-sponsored abstracts will be considered for prize competition. Posters will be displayed at the conference from September 13-14, 2019. Poster winners will be recognized on September 15, 2019 at the conference.

**Poster Session:** Posters will be on display throughout the conference. Poster sessions will be scheduled on September 13-14 during the lunch break to allow participants face-to-face time with the presenters. As the presenter, you are only asked to attend your board for this time slot, but are welcome to entertain questions throughout the conference. During the hours when you are not scheduled to participate in the poster session, you may leave your poster unattended. The purpose of this presentation format is to facilitate one-on-one and small group discussions with colleagues. All poster presenters are responsible for the removal of their materials from boards by the end of their presentation time. Any posters remaining will be removed. TPMA is not responsible for the care and condition of removed posters.

**Submission Fee:**

**Non-sponsored posters:** Free

**Sponsored posters:** \$500 (Vendors must exhibit at the conference to be eligible for poster competition.)

**Prizes:**

1st place -\$200.00

2nd place - \$150.00

3rd place- \$50.00

