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Authors are responsible for all costs associated with presenting their abstract including production of the poster, travel and accommodation.

Monetary prizes will be awarded for the top abstracts for each category of submission.

ORAL PRESENTATION

Physician: Resident/Fellow; Junior/Mid-career

The top abstracts of each category will be presented orally on Friday, November 1, 2019 in Toronto. Abstracts not selected for oral presentation may be asked to prepare and present a poster board.

POSTER PRESENTATION

Graduate Student/Trainee: medical student, non-physician student/trainee in nursing and other allied health fields.

Deadline for Above Abstracts - submissions will only be accepted through the online process and must be received no later than **Monday, October 7, 2019, 23:59 ET**. Late, faxed or mailed submissions will not be accepted.

Allied Health Clinical Innovations: submissions describing new initiatives and/or achievements in perioperative/surgical care by Allied Health Professionals. These could include presentations of novel or complex cases, new clinical services and quality improvement initiatives, service or program evaluations, or other innovations in delivering surgical care. Each abstract should clearly describe the innovation focus.

Deadline for Allied Health Clinical Innovations Abstracts - submissions will only be accepted through the online process and must be received no later than **Monday, October 21, 2019, 23:59 ET**. Late, faxed or mailed submissions will not be accepted.

Case Reports/Series will **NOT** be accepted.

Language - Submissions **MUST** be in English for the purpose of review.

Character Limit

The maximum number of words is 400 words. Title, authors, reference and tables/images will **NOT** be counted. Only one table **OR** one image may be uploaded.

Please include section titles in your submission.

- a) **BACKGROUND:** A brief statement of the purpose of the study.
- b) **METHODS/RESULTS:** A statement of the method(s) of investigation & a summary of the results presented in sufficient detail to support conclusions.
- c) **CONCLUSION:** A brief statement of results reached – it is not acceptable to state “the results will be discussed”.

- Submission of an abstract constitutes a commitment by the author(s) to present their work.
- There is no limit to the number of abstracts an individual may submit.
- A submitter should not “split” data to create several abstracts from one. If splitting is judged to have occurred, scores of related abstracts will be reduced.
- Abstracts containing identical or nearly identical data submitted from the same institution and/or individuals may be disqualified.
- **Abstracts with no data or incomplete data will receive a score of zero (0).**

Notice of Status

All abstract submitted must comply with these guidelines to be considered for acceptance. Notification of acceptance or rejection will be emailed by October 25 to the presenting author identified during the submission process.

Grading and Selection of Abstracts

A group of experts will review and grade the submissions. Experts with any conflicts related to an abstract submission will recuse themselves from evaluating the abstract. Authors are expected to attend the Congress and present their abstract.