Abstract Presentation Guide

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IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

Manuscript Submission: February 15 - March 15, 2021
Presentation Upload (Power Point, Video): March 18, 2021
GENERAL INFORMATION
The APSA Annual Meeting provides a professional forum for the presentation and discussion of new ideas, issues and developments of importance to APSA members and to the interested community. The presentation of abstracts is a key feature of the virtual meeting. Your cooperation in adhering to all of the guidelines will help the meeting run smoothly and provide quality and consistency for the attendees.

Speaker Registration Information
APSA policy dictates that all presenters are required to register for the annual meeting. Registration is available on the APSA website.

Abstract Rescheduling/Withdrawal
The order of presentation of the abstracts will not be changed. Withdrawal of abstracts after acceptance is strongly discouraged and may be subject to sanctions from the Board of Governors.

PRESENTATION REQUIREMENTS
- Abstract presentations must be pre-recorded. Specific recording instructions were provided to all authors via e-mail and can be found on the APSA website.
- Recorded presentations must be uploaded to a designated Dropbox folder by March 18, 2021. All authors have been provided Dropbox access via e-mail.
- All presentations must be made using the APSA 2021 Annual Meeting slide template. Slide template can be found on the APSA website.

PRESENTATION TYPES
Plenary Sessions
- Plenary sessions are part of the main meeting program.
- Presentation is limited to 4 minutes. (4 minutes of discussion to be arranged by program committee. This will follow the format of an invited discussant).
- Unlimited number of slides.

PedSurgTV
- PedSurgTV is a source of year-round educational pediatric surgical content. New content is rolled out 1-3 times per month in new APSAsodes.
- Abstracts presented in APSAsodes are considered part of the annual meeting.
- APSA’s Policy on Originality and Duplicate Submission is not applicable to abstracts presented after the main meeting dates of May 20-22. Abstracts presented in APSAsodes are allowed to be presented at other meetings and appear in publications, print or digital, any time after May 22, even if before their scheduled broadcast date (see items 5 and 6 of Policy).

APSAsodes - Scientific Sessions
- Presentation is limited to 4 minutes. (4 minutes of discussion to be arranged by program committee).
- Unlimited number of slides.

APSAsodes - Committee Sessions
- Presentation is limited to 4 minutes unless otherwise stipulated by specific committee in which presentation is being made. (Discussion content and time will also be arranged by specific committee in which abstract is being presented).
- Unlimited number of slides.

Posters
- Posters are spread out among Scientific Sessions 1 – 4, presented at the beginning of the session.
- Presentation is limited to 2 minutes. Recording instructions were provided to all authors via email and can be found on the APSA website.
Medical Student Posters
- Medical student posters are presented at the beginning of the Resident and Student session.
- **Presentation is limited to 2 minutes.** (2 minutes of discussion to be arranged by program committee).

Video Abstracts
- Videos must include audio narration of the procedure.
- **Video presentations are limited to 5 minutes.** (3 minutes of discussion will be arranged by the program committee).

AWARDS
APSA awards several prizes for outstanding presentations.

NEW! Medical Student Poster
Award recipients must be medical students enrolled in medical school at the time of abstract submission.

APSA selects one recipient for outstanding poster presentation. Posters are judged on scientific merit and visual presentation. Members of the Program Committee select recipients in basic science or clinical poster. The recipient receives a prize in the amount of $250. Learn more.

Poster of Distinction
Award recipients must be trainees currently enrolled in a surgical training program (residency or fellowship).

APSA selects one recipient for outstanding poster presentation. Posters are judged on scientific merit and visual presentation. Members of the Program Committee select recipients in basic science or clinical poster. The recipient receives a prize in the amount of $250. Learn more.

M. Judah Folkman Memorial Awards
APSA and the Association of Pediatric Surgery Training Program Directors (APSTPD) are proud to present the M. Judah Folkman Memorial Award for outstanding research presentations given during the APSA Annual Meeting. Presentations are judged on scientific merit, the presented work and the ability to field questions from the discussants.

Award recipients must be trainees currently enrolled in a surgical training program (residency or fellowship).

Members of the APSA Program Committee and the APSTPD select one winner in basic science and one winner in clinical categories. Each recipient receives a prize in the amount of $1,000 award and a medallion. Learn more.

Quality, Safety and Value in Surgery Award
This award is given to the manuscript that describes a research study or quality improvement project that best addresses the value proposition by demonstrating an improvement in outcomes while at the same time reducing cost or other measures of resource utilization. The quality of the manuscript and potential impact of the intervention for improving value outside of the author’s own institution will serve as the primary criteria for judging. The recipient receives a prize in the amount of $500.

- Eligible abstracts are identified by the APSA Surgical Quality & Safety Committee.
- A manuscript supporting the abstract must be submitted for review for publication in the *Journal of Pediatric Surgery* or a journal of the author’s choosing by the stated deadline.
- The recipient will contribute content to the APSA Quality and Safety toolkit.
- Posters and video presentations are not eligible, unless specifically identified as award candidates by the APSA Surgical Quality & Safety Committee. Learn more.
Innovation Award
One award is given for best innovation abstract. The winning presentation is selected by a special committee made up of the Program Committee, New Technology Committee and members of the APSA Board of Governors. The award is based solely on scores determined from the presentation at the annual meeting. The recipient receives a prize in the amount of $500. Learn more.

MANUSCRIPT SUBMISSION

The submission site will be open February 15 – March 15.

Authors presenting abstracts in the Plenary sessions and APSAsodes have the option* to submit manuscripts for publication in the Annual Meeting edition of the Journal of Pediatric Surgery (January 2022). Presentation of your abstract at the annual meeting is not a guarantee of acceptance for publication. Posters and videos are not eligible for manuscript submission.*

Manuscripts must be submitted via the APSA platform. All eligible authors receive notification and submission instructions by February 15. If you did not receive an email and believe that you should have, contact Marina Petrulla at marina@apsapedsur.org.

* Manuscript submission is required for abstracts identified as candidates for the Quality Award, and in some cases may include poster and video abstracts.