



## **Massachusetts Society of Clinical Oncologists Annual Meeting – Fellow/Resident/Student Poster Session**

Thursday, November 9, 2017

### **Call for Abstracts – Deadline – October 11, 2017**

**Abstract must be submitted online at [www.mass-oncologists.org](http://www.mass-oncologists.org).**

#### **Abstract/Poster Competition**

First authors of accepted abstracts will be invited to present their poster at the MSCO Annual Meeting on the evening of Thursday, November 9, 2017 and will be offered free registration for the awards reception, dinner and keynote speaker.

#### **SELECTED AREAS/TOPICS MAY INCLUDE:**

##### **Clinical Vignette Competition**

A clinical vignette is a report of one or more cases that illustrates a new disease entity, or a prominent or unusual clinical feature of an established disease. It may include a summary of pertinent patient history, physical findings, laboratory data, or management description.

##### **Research Competition**

Submissions can report clinical and/or laboratory-based research, delineate a new investigation into mechanisms of disease, or consist of detailed review of a clinical problem. Abstracts concerned with efficiency, cost or method of health care delivery, quality of care, and medical decision making are also encouraged.

#### **ABSTRACT ELIGIBILITY:**

Original abstracts that either have or have not been presented at other meetings will be considered. **Presentation of original work at the chapter meeting may, however, jeopardize presentation before another society.** Abstracts are eligible if they have been published; however, abstracts based upon full papers that have been published are not eligible. The first author of an abstract must be a fellow or resident in an accredited program in Massachusetts.

**ABSTRACTS GUIDELINES:**

350 words or less, 10-12 point font.

Must be submitted electronically via MSCO website

First authors will receive e-mail verification of receipt and all future correspondence.

Submission Deadline: 11:59 pm, Wednesday, October 11, 2017

**CONTACT INFORMATION/FIRST AUTHOR:**

Your name, institution, address, telephone number, fax number, and e-mail address. As the first author (presenter), you will receive all future correspondence from MSCO.

**ABSTRACT TITLE:**

The title of your abstract in sentence case, capitalizing only the first letter of the first word of the title and any proper nouns or acronyms. Do not use proprietary drug names in the title; use generic drug names instead. Do not refer to study results or conclusions in the title; it should objectively describe the study. MSCO reserves the right to edit abstract titles to conform to this policy.

**ADDITIONAL AUTHORS:**

Please list the name and institution of all additional authors.

**ABSTRACT BODY:**

You are encouraged to write your abstract in a format similar to that used in scientific papers so that it may be cited in curriculum vitae or submitted as evidence of scholarly activity.

The body of the abstract should be organized as follows:

1. Purpose for study (one sentence if possible).
2. Simple statement of methods.
3. Summary of results (adequate to support conclusions).
4. Statement of conclusions (Do not use phrases such as "The results will be discussed.")
5. This format may be modified, as appropriate, for

Clinical Vignette submissions, or for Research submissions diverging from the standard research methods (see samples).

\*Please note that the online submission form does not accept tables, so the body of your message must be text only.

**STYLE:**

Write for clarity and directness. Avoid the use of medical jargon or stock empty phrases. A table may be used if it fits within the border lines. Keep in mind that grammar will be taken into consideration. Please proofread your abstract carefully.

***Abstracts will not be published and therefore presenting a poster at the MSCO meeting should not preclude you from presenting in another venue but MSCO strongly recommends that if you want to present your abstract in another venue, you first check with the other venue for approval.***