



INCREASING JOY IN MEDICINE

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Call for abstracts

SUBMISSIONS ACCEPTED FROM OCTOBER 1, 2015 TO FEBRUARY 1, 2016

Authors are invited to submit abstracts for consideration as part of the International Conference on Physician Health™ (ICPH).

“Increasing Joy in Medicine” is this year’s conference theme. Please keep this theme in mind when preparing your abstract and presentation. The conference will showcase research and perspectives into physicians’ health. It will promote an overall healthier culture in medicine for physicians by offering practical evidence-based skills and strategies for attendees to take back to their practice. The conference will provide a forum for practitioners and researchers to present recent findings, innovative methods and support systems, and educational programs in the area of physicians’ health. The friendly and informal conference environment promotes networking, exchange of experience and information, and leisure activity focused on staying healthy.

We are particularly interested in abstracts that identify solutions for increasing joy in medicine. We are also interested in abstracts dealing with issues relating to the personal and professional ways that physicians are increasing joy in medicine—from medical school through to retirement—and the effect of these practices on physicians’ health, including both the physical

and psychological aspects of wellness. Relevant submissions dealing with any aspect of physicians’ health and well-being are also welcome.

Three presentation formats are invited.

- **Poster presentations:** Written presentation of research or a perspective. Presentations will allow for discussion between the author and interested parties in an informal setting. **Handouts are encouraged** and presenters are responsible for producing their own poster. Each poster will be displayed throughout the conference. Poster presentations can be submitted as either research or as a perspective.
- **Oral presentations:** Short oral presentations grouped into related sessions. Presentations are likely to be 20–30 minutes in duration with the last five–10 minutes reserved for panel questions and discussion. **Handouts are encouraged.*** Oral presentations can be submitted as either research or as a perspective.

* PowerPoint presentations are encouraged for oral and workshop presentations and standard equipment (e.g., LCD projector, screen, audio-video connections) will be available at the conference. Provisions of any non-standard presentation equipment needed will be provided by the presenter at their expense.



- **Workshop presentations:** Interactive sessions, experiential presentations and program descriptions that are designed to improve skills and knowledge among those working in the area of physicians' health. Straight lectures are not acceptable. Subject matter is open but should be designed to address specific topical issues related to increasing joy in medicine. Workshops should have an emphasis on interactive learning and may range from 60 to 90 minutes with the last 10–15 minutes reserved for panel questions and discussion. When submitting an abstract for a workshop, the submitter will need to identify the approximate length in minutes. **Handouts are encouraged.**† These presentations may also offer you an opportunity to further your work. Our varied audience of professionals interested in all aspects of physicians' health may provide you with the focus group or feedback you need.‡

Please submit your abstracts in one of three categories:

1. Research (oral or poster) submissions will be evaluated with consideration given to the following criteria:

- Scientific merit
- Quality
- Original contribution to knowledge
- Relevance to audience and conference theme

The abstract should clearly outline the purpose/relevance, materials and methods, results, conclusions and alignment with the conference theme.

2. Perspective (oral or poster) submissions may include work that is looking toward the future and has a formative dialogue (i.e., outlines where we need to go and potential barriers). These submissions do not include tools or resources, are not scientific in nature and have less hands-on teaching but focus more on a particular perspective or point of view on a certain topic. Perspective submissions will be evaluated with consideration given to the following criteria:

- Quality
- Original contribution to knowledge
- Relevance to audience and conference theme

3. Workshop submissions may include interactive sessions, experimental presentations and program

descriptions, including the interactive, hands-on nature of the session and the author's plan to involve the audience throughout the session. These submissions should include handouts, tools or media that will be used during the session, as well as the purpose and nature of the interactive portion(s). These submissions will be evaluated with consideration given to the following criteria:

- Quality (identify methods of delivery, including group work, design of the workshop and expected outcomes. For program descriptions, please indicate if the program has been evaluated, the nature of the evaluation and what was concluded from the evaluation)
- Originality
- Relevance to audience and conference theme

All submissions must be 400 words or fewer and should identify:

- Project objective
- Methods/approach (if applicable)
- Results (if applicable)
- Conclusion (if applicable)
- Relation to conference theme
- Funding sources, including relation to commercial or for-profit activity
- Three learning objectives or goals (i.e., participants will be able to ...)

All abstracts will undergo blind review. In order to ensure blind review, please do not include any author names on the abstract itself or on any of the supporting materials. However, please list all authors on the abstract submission form. Questions will be directed to the corresponding/submitted author.

Online submission will be available through the **ICPH Abstract Submission System**, which can be accessed at ama-assn.org/go/physicianhealth. Submissions for all abstracts must be made electronically on the abstract submission form, available online at the website above.

Submissions must be received by February 1, 2016 (Central Standard Time). Corresponding authors will be notified by April 2016.

Presenters are expected to register for the conference, will pay the AMA-CMA-BMA member rate and will be responsible for all of their own conference-related expenses.

Please contact us at physicianhealth@ama-assn.org or **001(312) 464-4043** with any questions or requests for further information.

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