

Preparing Your Abstract Submission: NEXT 2020 Conference and Exposition

Research, Special Interest, and Theory abstract submissions will be made as:

◆ Poster Presentations

Poster Presentations are reports in which information is summarized using brief written statements and graphic materials, such as photographs, charts, graphs, and/or diagrams mounted on a poster board measuring 4 feet high by 8 feet wide. Posters will be on display during Exhibit Hall hours. Speakers will be assigned a specific date and time when they must be at their posters to discuss them with attendees.

◆ Research Report

Research reports are presentations of original scientific data collected by the author(s). Any established research format, both experimental and non-experimental designs, may be used. Scientific research requires the design of a study, collection of samples, measurement of variables, analysis of data, and presentation of the results. Abstracts require presenter/author information including credentials, city, and state, along with these required fields:

- Title
- Purpose
- Background/Significance
- Subjects
- Methods and Materials
- Analyses
- Results
- Conclusions and References
- Funding Source (where applicable)
- Keywords (up to three)

◆ Special Interest Report

Special interest reports are presentations of unique and innovative concepts, ideas, devices, or products developed to meet the special needs of physical therapy. Emphasis should be on the unique and innovative nature of the concept or idea presented. All reports must contain data or evaluative information either collected or developed by the author(s) that address the idea, concept, device, or product presented. Reports that are limited to a “proposed” idea, concept, device, or product are not appropriate for submission and will not be allowed for presentation. Abstracts require presenter/author information including credentials, city, and state, along with these required fields:

- Title
- Unique
- Purpose
- Foundation
- Description
- Observations
- Conclusions and References
- Funding Source
- Keywords (up to three)

◆ Theory Report

Theory reports are presentations of a theory, idea, concept, or model that describes a foundation for the practice of physical therapy. Abstracts require presenter/author information including credentials, city, and state, along with these required fields:

- Title
- Theory
- Phenomenon
- Purpose
- Evidence
- Testable Hypothesis
- Importance
- References
- Funding Source
- Keywords (up to three)

◆ **Multimedia Technology Submissions**

Presenters demonstrate computer software for the following purposes: web-based instruction; research data analysis; storage and retrieval of patient records; management; controlling therapeutic equipment; instructing patient, students, or staff; and educational testing. Submissions require presenter/author information including credentials, city, and state, along with these required fields:

- Title
- Purpose
- Target audience
- Program design
- Development process
- Benefits
- Equipment
- References
- Funding source
- Keywords (up to three)

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