2019 Call for Abstracts

The Pharmacy Quality Alliance (PQA) invites poster abstract submissions for the 2019 PQA Annual Meeting in Baltimore, Maryland from May 15 - 17. PQA’s poster session provides an opportunity for authors to highlight their efforts in quality improvement and research and for attendees to engage in insightful dialogue about the healthcare quality landscape.

All accepted abstracts of original work will be published online in the journal Research in Social and Administrative Pharmacy (RSAP). Select abstract authors will be invited to give a podium presentation during the Annual Meeting.

Please click here to access the submission form
Submission Deadline: January 13, 2019 at 11:59 pm EST

Previous sessions have featured work in the various topic areas listed below. Authors are encouraged to submit an abstract in one of these areas or in another current or emerging healthcare quality topic area.

- Implementation & improvement
- Capturing the patient/caregiver voice
- Performance measure development and maintenance
- Payment models, health economics, and policy
- Education in healthcare quality
GUIDELINES FOR ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

Submission Requirements
Authors will be required to indicate the following in the online submission form:
- Author Type
- Submission Type
- Submission Category
- Relevant Financial Relationships
- Publication Disclosure

The abstract template is included within the online submission form link. Abstracts must not exceed 300 words (excluding abstract title/subtitles). All abstracts must contain the following elements:
- Background
- Objective(s)
- Methods
- Results
- Conclusions

Author Type
- **Professional**: Researchers, practitioners
- **Fellow/Resident**: Post-graduate individuals participating in residencies or fellowships
- **Student**: Individuals pursuing graduate/professional degrees (e.g., MS, PhD, PharmD, MD)
- **PQA-CVS Health Foundation Scholar**: Selected students participating in the PQA-CVS Health Foundation Scholars Program

Submission Type
- **Completed project** (NOTE: For the 2019 PQA Annual Meeting, PQA is not accepting works-in-progress.)
- **Encore presentation**: Original research that has already been presented at another venue or published in another format. *Please note: These abstracts will not be published in RSAP.*

Submission Category
- **Research**: Results of research are intended to be used by a broad audience (i.e., generalizable)
- **Quality Improvement**: Results of quality improvement are intended for use primarily by the entity conducting or funding the study (i.e., not generalizable)

Submissions to either category require systematic inquiry into a quality-related topic area or problem. Research and Quality Improvement submissions are differentiated by the intended use of the results.

Relevant Financial Relationships
Please disclose any relevant financial relationships. Describe all financial sponsors in order of their sponsorship. In-kind sponsors should also be listed.
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Publication Disclosure
Accepted abstracts of original work will be published online in Research in Social and Administrative Pharmacy (RSAP). Please indicate the copyright ownership of the abstract submitted from the following:

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• This work is an encore presentation (has been or will be presented at another venue) and does not qualify for publication in RSAP.

REVIEW AND SELECTION
All abstracts will be evaluated by an external review committee made up of a cross-section of PQA’s membership. Abstract review will be based on the following criteria:

• Originality
• Clarity of objective(s)
• Soundness of design
• Quality of findings
• Impact of conclusions

If you are interested in being an abstract and/or poster reviewer, please click here!

NOTIFICATION
Authors will be notified of their selection status by e-mail in mid-February 2019. Logistic information regarding the poster session will be provided in the Spring. Please note: At least one author must be present during the poster session at the PQA Annual Meeting.

For questions regarding abstract submissions, please contact Lee Holland, LHolland@PQAalliance.org

About the PQA Annual Meeting Poster Session
The PQA Annual Meeting Poster Session was conceptualized and launched at the 2016 PQA Annual Meeting by PQA’s Academic Affairs Committee (AAC). The AAC serves as a forum for committee members to share best practices in educating the next generation of pharmacists about all aspects of healthcare quality, including performance measurement, quality improvement, and value-driven healthcare. The AAC also supports PQA’s mission by engaging with PQA’s Performance Measurement Team to strengthen the evidence base for measures. PQA welcomes faculty members from member organizations to join the AAC; Non-faculty individuals from member organizations who are interested in serving as quality champions to a school/college are also invited to join.

Co-Chairs:
• Ben Aronson, PharmD, PhD, Ohio Northern University College of Pharmacy
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