Call for Posters

Kansas City, Missouri
October 21-24, 2018

Deadline for Submissions:
June 20, 2018

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About JFPS 2018

The Joint Federal Pharmacy Seminar (JFPS) is a national education-based conference for federal pharmacists and pharmacy technicians, developed by the American Pharmacists Association (APhA).

JFPS 2018 will be held October 21-24, 2018 at the Kansas City Convention Center in Kansas City, Missouri. The 2018 theme is “Connect, Collaborate, Innovate.”

2018 Call for Poster Abstracts

APhA is seeking abstracts for the JFPS 2018 poster program that demonstrate how you are connecting, collaborating, and innovating in pharmacy practice and pharmacy-focused scientific research on issues relevant to federal pharmacists and pharmacy technicians.

Abstracts must be submitted by June 20, 2018 using the JFPS 2018 online submission system, using your pharmacist.com username and password. To access the submission system, go to https://tinyurl.com/JFPSposters.

NOTE: Abstracts accepted for presentation at JFPS 2017 do not require re-submission for JFPS 2018. Authors are invited to participate in JFPS 2018 to present their work and will receive an email with details. Contact ebrown@aphanet.org with any questions.

Poster Presenters

Poster presenters must be pharmacists or pharmacy technicians who are:

- Uniformed members of the Public Health Services or Department of Defense
- Civilian pharmacists or technicians assigned to federal agencies
- Retired or reserve members of the Army, Navy, Air Force, Coast Guard, or Public Health Service

Abstract Categories

Submit abstracts to one of the following 3 categories:

1. **Contributed Research**: Abstracts present the findings of original research on issues relevant to practicing pharmacists and pharmacy technicians. Research with patients requires IRB approval. (If research is not completed at the time of submission, select the “Project in Progress”* option.)

2. **Innovative Practice Report**: Practitioners who have implemented a new idea or strategy for the delivery of patient care, or a creative application of existing techniques or services, are encouraged to share their innovation with colleagues. This includes process improvement projects that show improved patient outcomes. Ideas and practices that are new to the region, system, or practice setting may be considered. (If practices in this category do not have outcomes ready to report at the time of submission, select the “Project in Progress” * option.)
3. **Encore Presentation**: Submissions to this category must meet all submission and evaluation criteria for original papers, with the exception that the paper has been previously presented at a local, state, or national meeting within 12 months of the submission deadline. Submission requires the original presentation citation.

*Projects in Progress*: Projects in progress must have been started and in the process of collecting data or in the process of implementing an innovative practice or process improvement. Completed data or initial outcomes must be available for presentation at JFPS 2018.

**Abstract Topics**

Submit abstracts to one of the following 5 topics:

1. Clinical Pharmacy
2. Hospital Inpatient Services
3. Pharmacy Operations
4. Automation/Technology
5. Other

**Financial Disclosures and Use of Logos**

Financial disclosures for all poster authors will be collected during the online abstract submission process. Authors who have no relevant financial relationships must state that they have nothing to disclose. A financial disclosure statement must be included on all accepted and displayed posters.

Because the “Meet the Researchers” session offers CPE credit, the poster presentations must be in compliance with the policy set forth by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE) related to commercial interests:

- A commercial interest is any entity producing, marketing, re-selling, or distributing health care goods or services consumed by, or used on, patients.
- Providers of clinical service directly to patients are NOT commercial interests.

How does this translate to your poster and use of logos?

- NO logos for pharmaceutical companies
- OK to use logos for hospitals, universities, schools, health care networks
- OK to use logos for community pharmacies (e.g., Walgreens, Kroger) IF they are also a provider of clinical care directly to patients

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Abstract Review and Notification

Abstracts submitted by June 20, 2018 for JFPS 2018 will be reviewed by the JFPS 2018 Educational Programming Committee. All abstracts are subjected to a double-blind peer review. Each abstract will be evaluated according to the following criteria:

- Relevance – makes important contribution to federal pharmacy practice.
- Originality – new, innovative approaches to move the pharmacy profession forward.
- Clear statement of question(s) to be answered or objective(s) to be met.
- Study/project design – project design clearly stated, appropriate to achieve objectives, and variables controlled. Setting and patient population described.
- Methods and data collection process/analysis clearly described. Source(s) of data, how it is being collected. Data analysis/evaluation procedures target project outcomes and support project objectives. Compare different strategies.
- Results – findings are reported for each objective or research question. Include data in your results section. (Projects in Progress must report any initial findings.)
- Implications of findings for pharmacy practice, policy theory, or further research are discussed and should focus on tangible or significant results. Describe how innovation is adaptable to other practice sites/settings. (Projects in Progress will describe potential implications.)
- Conclusions are appropriately stated, based on results. (Projects in Progress will not include Conclusions on the abstract; however, conclusions should be included in the final poster presentation.)

Incomplete or poorly written abstracts will be rejected.
Poster authors will be notified of the status of their abstract submission by e-mail by July 31, 2018.

**Poster Presentations**

Accepted abstracts will be presented at JFPS 2018 as poster presentations. Posters will be displayed during the conference from Sunday, October 21 through Wednesday, October 24. Poster presenters will be required to register for JFPS 2018 and be available to discuss their poster during the assigned “Meet the Researchers” session on Monday, October 22 or Tuesday, October 23.

**Poster Awards**

Award plaques will be awarded for first place in each topic area, and one overall best of seminar. Special recognition ribbons will be awarded to the highest scoring poster that did not win its category. Posters are judged on Technical Merit, Originality, and Presentation.

To be eligible for the JFPS 2018 poster award program, the following requirements must be met:

- The poster must be accepted for presentation.
- Poster presenters must submit a PDF or PowerPoint file of their final poster by September 28, 2018.
- The poster must be displayed at JFPS 2018.
- The poster presentation must participate in the assigned “Meet the Researchers” session.

**Abstract Publication**

Accepted abstracts that are presented at JFPS 2018 will be e-published in the January/February 2019 issue of the Journal of the American Pharmacists Association (JAPhA) at www.japha.org. APHa holds first right of refusal for material contained in abstracts when submitted for publication. Full manuscripts that expand on the abstracts should be submitted for publication in an APHa publication, usually JAPhA at LINK. Encore presentations are not published in their entirety; only the title, authors, and original citation will appear.

**More Information**

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