

RESIDENTS and MEDICAL STUDENTS

Your fellow internists invite you to join us for the

ARIZONA CHAPTER ANNUAL ACP MEETING

October 4 & 5, 2008 (Saturday & Sunday)

ASU's Memorial Union, Tempe, Arizona

And share your most interesting case and/or project during the

American College of Physicians, Arizona Chapter
**Oral Clinical Vignette and Poster
COMPETITION**

ABSTRACTS SUBMISSION DEADLINE: August 29, 2008

★ ★ **AWARDS** ★ ★

Oral Clinical Vignette

First Place

- ✓ Certificate, Plaque, \$200 presenter recognition
- ✓ Scholarship funds (\$1,000) to offset travel expenses to National ACP Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, April 2009
- ✓ Invitation to display poster (and may be chosen to present) at the National ACP Annual Meeting

Presenter Recognition

- ✓ Certificate, \$200

Note: Each Arizona residency may select one Internal Medicine resident to represent its program for the oral vignette competition.

Poster

First Place - Research

- ✓ Certificate, Plaque, \$200
- ✓ Scholarship funds (\$1,000) to offset travel expenses to the National ACP Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, April 2009
- ✓ Invitation to display poster at National ACP Annual Meeting

Second and Third Places

- ✓ Certificate, \$150 (2nd place), \$100 (3rd place)

Special Distinction for Case Study

- ✓ Certificate, Plaque, \$200

Special Distinction for PGY-1

- ✓ Certificate, Plaque, \$200

Special Distinction for Medical Student

- ✓ Certificate, Plaque, \$200

Quality Improvement/Patient Safety Poster Awards

- ✓ Certificates, Plaque, \$200

Presenter Recognition

- ✓ Certificate

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR PARTICIPATION
ACP ARIZONA CHAPTER MEETING – October 4 & 5, 2008**

POSTER COMPETITION

1. Abstracts are due on **August 29, 2008. NO LATE ENTRIES.** Abstracts must be prepared as directed and submitted online at www.acponline.org/chapters/az. (Please see attached ACP Regulations for Submission of Abstracts.) Abstracts may not be longer than 450 words.
2. **Posters must be on display at the hotel no later than 10:00 p.m. on Friday, October 3, 2008.** The meeting will be Saturday and Sunday (10/4 & 5/08) at ASU's Memorial Union, Tempe, AZ.
3. Posters may be 3' x 4' **maximum**. **Posters larger than 3' x 4' will not be accepted.** Materials to hang posters will be available at the display area.
4. A single, lightweight poster is recommended for ease in displaying, however, the format is up to the presenter. The print on the posters should be large enough to be readable from three feet.
5. Posters will be numbered and displayed in a designated area. Please hang your poster only in the area designated for your work.
6. **You must be at your poster during the Formal Poster Judging time from 4:30 – 6:00 pm.** If you are not present at your poster to interact with the judges, you will not be eligible for a significant number of points. **Formal Poster Judging Time will be Saturday, October 4th from:**

4:30 – 6:00 p.m.

Participants must be present during judging time!

7. The **maximum** number of posters per author listed as “first author” is limited to **one poster**. Residents in all years of training are encouraged to submit posters, as are medical students.
8. Award presentations will be **Sunday, October 5th, 2008 at 12:15**. All presenters are expected to be present for the awards portion of the meeting. The Arizona Chapter poster winners will be invited to display his/her poster at the **National ACP Annual Meeting**, Philadelphia, PA, in April 2009.

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For more information contact your Program Director or Marie Cancilla at (480) 529-5418 or marie.cancilla@cox.net.

American College of Physicians
REGULATIONS FOR SUBMISSION OF ABSTRACTS

Clinical Vignette Competition

Definition: 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

Definition: 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 INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS

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.

Author Eligibility:

The first author of an abstract must be an ACP Associate Member in good standing.

Co-authors need not be ACP members. Abstracts must be signed by your Program Director.

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 when you are preparing to advance to Fellowship in the American College of Physicians.

Format:

1. Abstracts must be typed in a Word document using 11 pt Arial font, with 1-inch margins on all 4 sides. Abstracts are limited to 450 words.
2. Title, typed in all caps, should be brief and clearly state content of paper.
3. Name of presenting author must be listed first.

4. List name and one degree only (e.g., MD, DO) for each author. Indicate their status within ACP (Associate, Member, or Fellow), if applicable. Professional title of positions should not be included.
5. List names of authors' institution(s), city, and state. Note: The format used in the *Annals of Internal Medicine* is also encouraged.

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.

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 borderlines. Keep in mind that grammar will be taken into consideration. Please proofread your abstract carefully.

Abbreviations, Symbols, and Nomenclature:

Usage should conform as closely as possible to that recommended in CBE Style Manual, (6th edition., 1994), published by the Council of Biology Editors, and available from CBE Secretariat, 9650 Rockville Pike, Bethesda, MD 20814. Nonstandard abbreviations must be kept to a minimum and must be explained when used. Generic names of drugs are preferred: a proprietary name may be given only with the first use of the generic name.

Units of measurement should be metric (SI), including those for height of length, mass (weight), and body temperature. Preferred concentration units in clinical chemical measurements are those recommended by the International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry: for substances of known, pure composition, millimoles/milliliter or millimoles/liter; for mixtures of substances where exact composition is not known, grams/liter.