The ACP Rhode Island Chapter is pleased to announce a Call for Abstracts for its 2015 Resident/Fellow and Medical Student Forum that will take place at the chapter’s Annual Scientific Meeting on Thursday, May 7 at Rhodes on the Pawtuxet, 60 Rhodes Place in Cranston, RI.

- **The deadline for submission of abstracts is 11:59 p.m. on Saturday, February 28, 2015**
- **Electronic Abstract Submission Form** - Please note abstracts may only be submitted electronically using the abstract form

The competition is open to all Resident/Fellow and Medical Student members of the Rhode Island Chapter, ACP. Competitors may enter as many abstracts as they wish. First authors of abstracts must be Resident/Fellow-level (PGY 1, 2, or 3) or Medical Student-level members (MS-1 through 4) in good standing with the ACP, or must have made official application for membership in order to enter this competition. There will be no exceptions to these requirements.

Non-member interns, residents and subspecialty fellows who wish to submit an abstract may complete an application for Resident/Fellow membership online, with a dues payment of $119. Non-member medical students who wish to submit an abstract may apply for Medical Student membership online. Medical Student membership is free!

Abstracts will be accepted into either the Clinical Vignette or Research categories. Resident/Fellow member abstracts will be considered for poster exhibition or podium presentation. Six Resident/Fellow abstracts representing clinical vignettes and original research projects will be selected for podium presentation at the chapter meeting on May 7. Podium presentations will be ranked by a distinguished panel of judges and prizes will be awarded.

Medical Student abstracts will be considered for poster exhibition only. No Medical Student entry will be eligible for podium presentation. However, posters of Medical Student abstracts that are on exhibition at the Annual Meeting on May 7 will be eligible for a judging to select the winner of the Best Medical Student Poster Award with an associated cash prize.

Abstract selection is competitive; not every submission will necessarily qualify for podium presentation or poster exhibition. Each abstract will undergo careful review and will be ranked for scientific merit, originality, proper presentation and clinical application.

Abstracts may only be submitted electronically using the abstract form. The abstract submission form is also linked to the RI Chapter “News & Meetings” page (http://www.acponline.org/about_acp/chapters/ri/news_meet.htm). Please follow submission instructions carefully and provide all information requested. After completing the abstract submission, including the fields at the bottom of the page, click the "Submit" button. You will immediately be notified that your abstract has been sent to the RI Chapter and that a confirmation e-mail is being sent to you. Please print and retain the confirmation e-mail. If you do not receive a confirmation message, it means that you have not completed all of the required steps and you will need to resubmit your entry.

We encourage you to submit your abstract early to ensure that it is received on time. The deadline for entry is **Saturday, February 28, 2015**. No exceptions can be made to the cutoff date since the Web site is configured to reject abstract submissions attempted after 11:59 p.m. on February 28.

Medicine and medicine subspecialty program and division directors are asked to promote this abstract competition among internal medicine house staff, medicine subspecialty fellows, and medical students by directing them to this page or the electronic abstract form for information concerning the 2015 Resident/Fellow and Medical Student Forum.

For questions concerning this abstract competition, please contact the RI Chapter Administrator, Donna Goodnow, at RIACPIInfo@gmail.com

Thank you.

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