

Call for Poster Display Abstracts



The Ohio Psychiatric Physicians Association (OPPA) and Ohio Psychiatric Physicians Foundation (OPPF) invite all OPPA members, resident/fellows and medical students to participate by submitting an abstract for consideration to display a poster during the upcoming Annual Psychiatric Update to be held on March 1-2, 2025.

In 2025, all abstracts meeting the specified requirements will be accepted and scored by judges. If an abstract ranks in the top 20 of all submissions, the presenting author(s) will be asked to create a poster to be displayed at the OPPA meeting. At least one author will be expected to register, attend the meeting, and display their poster. Authors are encouraged to be available during break times to showcase and discuss their poster with meeting attendees. Please note that posters will be for display purposes only and will not be judged on-site.

PURPOSE

Creating a clear, concise, and informative abstract is crucial for effectively summarizing your research and preparing a visual poster for display, whether onsite at the meeting or digitally on the OPPA website.

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

- General members and residents/fellows members must be an OPPA member; medical students must be members of APA.
- Submission areas may include research reports, research-in-progress, case reports, and posters that have already been presented elsewhere within the past year.

GENERAL DISCLOSURE POLICY

- Every author must complete a [Disclosure of Financial Interests form](#) through the [OPPA's online submission site](#).
- Each author must make every effort to ensure meaningful disclosure of limitations on data (e.g. ongoing research, interim analysis, preliminary data, or unsupported opinion).

DEADLINES

- Oct. 1** OPPA begins accepting poster abstracts
- Dec. 31** Deadline to submit abstracts by 11:59 p.m.
- Jan. 2** Poster judges score qualifying abstracts
- Jan. 15** Primary author(s), will be notified of the scoring of the abstracts
- Feb. 28** All poster PDFs must be received by OPPA/OPPF for posting on the website

REQUIRED INFORMATION FOR ABSTRACT

- Title
- Key Contact (name, affiliation, phone number and email address)
- Information of all author(s) (name, institution name, and email address)
- Name of person(s) who will be on-site (if abstract chosen)
- Abstract (500 words or less), which will be scored by judges—it is helpful to include the following section headings for organization:
 - Background, Methods, Discussion, Conclusion, and References
- The disclosure form must be completed by all authors at the time of the abstract submission.
- All submission materials must be completed online.

Click [HERE](#) to access the submission form or go to: www.oppa.org/foundation, under Awards section.

- Incomplete submissions will be not be accepted.

REVIEW PROCESS AND SCORING

- Abstract submissions will be reviewed for acceptance and scored by the judges, based on the following criteria: educational value, quality of writing, topic diversity, type of research (cohort vs. case-controlled vs. quality improvement, vs. literature review). Note: **Original research will score higher than literature review.**
- Top 20 highest-scoring abstracts will be displayed as a poster on-site at the OPPA Annual Meeting (as well as on the OPPA website as a PDF).
- Authors of abstracts that do not score in the top 20 are encouraged to create a poster PDF for display on the OPPA website.