



# MID-AMERICA Orthopaedic Association

## **PLEASE READ--IMPORTANT ABSTRACT INFORMATION FOR**

**MAOA 2020 Annual Meeting, April 22-25**

**Hyatt Regency Coconut Point Resort**

**Bonita Springs, Florida**

### **A. Important Information**

1. You will need the following items available prior to completing the abstract submission. **INCOMPLETE submissions will NOT be saved by the system.**
  - a. Blinded Word or PDF document (abstract title and abstract text only). **No CO-AUTHOR OR INSTITUTION INFORMATION SHOULD BE INCLUDED ON THIS DOCUMENT** (400 words or less; tables and figure captions count toward the 400 maximum word count).
  - b. Co-author information and e-mail addresses for senior co-authors
2. Submit your abstract by **July 1, 2019**.
3. **Your abstract should be submitted as a Word or PDF document, 400 words or less. Please note that tables and figure captions count toward the 400 maximum word count.**
4. **Acceptance notices will be sent out October 1, 2019. Confirmation of your presentation at the MAOA 2020 Annual Meeting will be due November 1, 2019.**
5. **NOTE: You are only allowed one podium presentation and up to four poster presentations; please consider this when submitting abstracts. If more than one of your abstracts is accepted for presentation from the podium, you will need to name a co-author to present the additional talk(s). The maximum number of abstracts you can submit is 6.**
6. **RESIDENTS AND MEDICAL STUDENTS:** The MAOA Board of Directors requests that the staff consultant who co-authors your paper be present at the annual meeting to respond to any questions that arise during discussion. Please notify your staff consultant of this prior to submission of your abstract.
7. **PHYSICIAN IN TRAINING AWARDS:** Four prizes of \$1,000 each will be awarded to four fellows, residents, or medical students who are judged to have the top-rated paper on the program. The recipient must be the first author on the paper, and the investigation and manuscript completion must occur at a medical facility within the MAOA 20-state area. Papers are rated on content, timeliness, the hypothesis, material and methods, and results. The two top Award Winners will have an opportunity to present their papers at the AAOS 2021 Annual Meeting. MAOA will contact those eligible to submit a manuscript for consideration of one of these awards.
8. **POSTER AWARDS:** Two \$500 prizes will be awarded to presenters who are judged to have the top-rated posters at the annual meeting.



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9. **All speakers are required to pay the meeting registration fee and are responsible for their expenses in attending the annual meeting.** Please discuss this with your program chair before submitting your abstract.
10. The Program Committee will meet in September. The author denoted as presenter will be notified in October whether or not the abstract has been selected for presentation as a scientific paper or poster.
11. Computer presentation will be available for all speakers. Your talk should be in PowerPoint format.

### **B. Preparation of Your Abstract**

1. A “blind” selection process will be used. No identifying features such as names of hospitals, medical schools, clinics, or cities may be listed in the title or text of the abstract. Do **not** include author names. The names of authors and their affiliations (institutions with city/state) will be submitted online when you submit the abstract.
2. Papers may be submitted if previously presented at a national/international meeting. **No published papers should be submitted.**
3. The title should be as brief as possible, but long enough to indicate clearly the nature of the study. Capitalize the first letter of each word.
4. **Your abstract should be submitted as a Word or PDF document, 400 words or less. Please note that tables and figure captions count toward the 400 maximum word count.**

### **C. Withdrawing or Amending a submission**

1. Please contact the MAOA office if you decide to withdraw your abstract or have changes to the submission.

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