



## Scientific Presentation Submission Instructions

*(Platform Research, Poster Symposia and Poster)*

*(for Program Description Poster instructions, please scroll down to page 5)*

**Submission Dates: June 4, 2019 - August 16, 2019**

### **Adolescent Health: Transforming Risk to Wellness**

Adolescence is a time of exploration and experimentation as youth express increased interest in the experiences outside of their family circle. Some risk-taking is necessary for neurocognitive development as adolescents move towards autonomy, learning from their errors and building heavily on the rewards. Furthermore, risk-taking and its consequences are shaped by social and community context. How is the characterization that adolescents are 'risky' harming their embrace by essential members of their communities and safety network? How can adolescent health and medicine professionals embrace the notion of risk, while helping youth differentiate between those that are health affirming versus those that may result in harm? What innovative methods can be used to measure and promote healthy risk-taking behaviors among adolescents? How can we build stronger safety nets to catch them if they fall? How can we protect youth from disparities in the outcomes and responses to their normative risk-taking behaviors? In this meeting, multidisciplinary professionals from throughout the world will assemble to share, discuss, critique, and generate strategies to transform risk and promote wellness among young people. We invite you to expand and enrich our conceptualizations and practices by engaging in an exchange of ideas from multiple perspectives and cultures.

**Before you begin the submission process, carefully read the following:**

- While submissions for scientific presentations do NOT have to be consistent with the theme of the annual meeting, submissions that are related to the theme are strongly encouraged and will receive additional consideration.
- The submission of overlapping abstracts from the same group of investigators are strongly discouraged. Multiple abstracts considered to be the result of excessive splitting of data will be evaluated accordingly and will not be given priority. In order to accommodate as many submitters as possible, the Abstract Review Committee Chair may request that such multiple submissions be combined and that a revised abstract be provided.
- **To be accepted for presentation at the SAHM annual meeting, the project being presented in the abstract must have been approved by an Institutional Review Board (IRB), or have been designated by an IRB as exempt from review.**
- Consistent with SAHM's overall mission of promoting the optimal health and well-being of all adolescents, authors should consider conducting and presenting their research with attention to identifying assets, using inclusive language, and addressing health equity.
  - The abstract can frame the research within an assets framework.
  - The abstract should include consideration of socioecological/contextual contributors to outcomes, so as to avoid inadvertent negative stereotyping of any sub-population of adolescents and young adults.
- **Research abstracts without data will not be accepted for presentation at the SAHM annual meeting.**

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## SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Before you begin the submission process, carefully read the following:

- The **deadline for submission** of scientific presentations is on August 16, 2019 (closes 11:59 p.m. EDT).
- **There is a fee of \$40.00** (US) for all scientific presentation abstracts.
- **Enter a title** - must be no more than 250 characters.
- **Complete the Primary Author Disclosure questions.**
- **Add Additional Contributing Authors**  
The submitting author on each abstract must complete all mandatory fields and upload a CV for each contributing author with the first initial and last name of the author in the document name. The order of authors can be changed by dragging and dropping them into their new position after they have been added. Note: Financial disclosures are required by ALL authors of an Oral Platform Research abstract and only by the Lead Author for Poster Symposia or Scientific Presentation of a Poster.
- **Write the Abstract**  
For sections labeled **Purpose, Methods, Results, & Conclusions**: briefly describe the objectives of the study or investigation, the basic procedures (study subjects and analytical methods), the main findings (giving specific data and the statistical significance, if possible), and the principal conclusion. Emphasize new and important aspects of the study. There is a cumulative total of 500 words allowed for all fields including sources of support.
- Submit an **educational objective** for your presentation and [MeSH keywords](#)

### Additional Notes:

- Scientific presentations can be considered for poster presentation (traditional poster session or poster symposia) only, and not for podium presentation. If you do not wish to have a podium presentation, check that box during the online submission process.
- Do not repeat the title or include author information in the body of the abstract.
- No tables or figures are allowed in the abstract. The abstract should be text ONLY.
- From the summary page, you will be able to click on edit for any of the sections you wish to review/change.
- If after you save your abstract, you notice that some text is missing, please copy and paste your FULL text to notepad. Once that is complete, all formatting will be removed and you can copy and paste into our editor and make any formatting adjustments you need to.
- **Proofreading is the responsibility of the submitting author**
- Pay and Submit

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## AWARD CONSIDERATION

To have your abstract considered for the Charles E. Irwin New Investigator, DuRant or Rickert Awards (*described below*), you will need to upload a one-page Word document that includes only the abstract title at the top (no names) and an expanded description of the Methods and Results sections from your abstract. Offer a brief explanation of the importance of the additional information included in this one-page document. Do not repeat your Purpose or Conclusions in this document. Reviewers will receive both your completed abstract and your expanded Methods and Results document. This additional one-page document is intended to allow you to present a more detailed description of your Methods and Results. A table or figure can be included in this document. Please use 1" inch (2.5 cm) margins all around and 11 point Arial font. This 1-page document is only for the reviewers' use and will not be published in the program or in the journal supplement. If more than one page is submitted, the reviewers will only read the first page.

**Charles E. Irwin New Investigator Award** - First authors who are ELIGIBLE for the Charles E. Irwin New Investigator Award should talk with a senior member of SAHM about their research efforts and indicate in the submission that they wish to be considered for this award. Eligibility criteria include the following: (1) Candidates must be either in training or have completed their fellowship (or graduate training) within the past five calendar years; (2) Research must be in an area of knowledge unique to the development and health care needs of adolescents; (3) The award will be given for a specific piece of research and is not dependent upon the awardee's total research; (4) Candidates need not be a member of SAHM, but if chosen as a finalist, must be nominated by a member of SAHM. Authors of the top 5 abstracts ELIGIBLE for the Charles E. Irwin New Investigator Award will be notified at the same time abstract acceptances are sent. These authors will be asked to send a complete packet of materials to the Awards Committee at the SAHM National Office. The completed packet will include a curriculum vitae, letter of nomination by a SAHM member that designates the significance of the research to adolescent health care, a letter of support by a senior investigator, and a manuscript (background, methods, results, and conclusion).

**Robert H. DuRant Award for Statistical Rigor and Innovation in Adolescent Health Research** - The Robert H. DuRant Award recognizes the top-rated abstract submission featuring sophisticated methodology and/or analytic approaches. Abstract review committee members will designate submissions eligible for the DuRant Award. Authors of the top 5 abstracts eligible for the DuRant Award (and not nominated for the Charles E. Irwin New Investigator Award) will be notified at the same time abstract acceptances are sent. DuRant Award finalists will be asked to send a CV and manuscript to the Awards Committee at the SAHM National Office.

**Vaughn Rickert Vaccine Research Award** - The Vaughn Rickert Vaccine Research Award recognizes the top-rated abstract submission focused on vaccination research. Abstract review committee members will designate submissions eligible for the Rickert Award. Authors of the top 5 abstracts eligible for the Rickert Award (and not nominated for the Charles E. Irwin New Investigator Award) will be notified at the same time abstract acceptances are sent. Rickert Award finalists will be asked to send a CV and manuscript to the Awards Committee at the SAHM National Office. An individual may be a recipient of the Vaughn Rickert Vaccine Research Award only once. The Society for Adolescent Health and Medicine reserves the right not to name an award recipient in any year without a suitable nominee.

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- Review and proofread your submissions carefully.
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- Click “**FINALIZE**” to close your summary page.
- You may return to the site to edit your proposal at a later time.
- Your proposal will not be considered for presentation unless all required fields are completed and your submission has been finalized
- Once the submission site closes, edits will not be possible.

***For questions regarding abstract content, please contact:***

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## SCIENTIFIC PRESENTATION-POSTER ONLY-PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

*Please note: abstracts submitted as program descriptions will be for poster presentation formats only.*

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**There is a fee of \$40.00 (US) for all scientific presentation abstracts.**

### SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

- Enter the program name - must be no more than 250 characters.
- Complete the Primary Author Disclosure questions.
- Add Additional Contributing Authors.

The submitting Author on each abstract must complete all mandatory fields, and **upload the CVs** for each contributing author. The order of authors can be changed by dragging and dropping the authors into their different order after they have been added. Conflict of interest forms will only be needed when presentations are accepted.

- **Write the Abstract:** For a Program Description abstract, use the following headings:

**Purpose:** Includes goals of the program, why it was started and what need it fills

**Methods:** Includes population served, setting, disciplines involved in care, unique aspects of delivery and how the program is supported financially

**Results and Outcomes:** Provide any outcome data

**Conclusions:** Highlight generalizable findings and lessons learned

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