The Palm Beach County Medical Society (PBCMS) is issuing a Call for Abstracts for its 2021 Poster Showcase taking place virtually April 19-April 26, 2021. The objective of the poster presentations is to offer students, residents, fellows, and other physician scholars an opportunity to share significant research and interesting clinical vignettes with their fellow clinicians. We encourage all of our colleagues to participate in this educational program by submission of an abstract and application.

**Rules and Guidelines for Abstract Submission:**

**Eligibility:** Applicant must be a member of PBCMS. If applicant is not a member at the time of submission, membership must be completed before April 2, 2021 or the entry will be inadmissible. Applicant must be a student enrolled in a Florida allopathic or osteopathic medical school, a resident or fellow in an accredited training program in Palm Beach County. Poster may be original or previously published.

**Criteria for Selection:** Research abstracts should contain the background, research question, protocol, methods, results and conclusions. The research can be either basic science or clinical research. Clinical vignettes should be pertinent and timely. Notification by e-mail of abstract application acceptance or rejection will be sent via email by March 19, 2021.

**Content and Ethical Considerations:** Posters are intended to convey a scientific result and may not contain advertisements for commercial interests, products or services. Please read and complete the attached Disclosure Form. The Palm Beach County Executive Committee and the Council on Medical Education make the final decisions on eligibility. PBCMS reserves the right to deny any application that, in the opinion of the Executive Committee or the Council on Medical Education, deemed promotional, commercial or unethical.

**Important Dates & Times:**

- **Deadline for poster application submission (max of 2)**: Friday, March 12, 2021 5:00 pm
- **Notification of application acceptance or rejection**: Friday, March 19, 2021 5:00 pm
- **Photo & Video presentations due**: Friday, April 2, 2021 5:00 pm
- **Showcase Begins**: Monday, April 19, 2021
- **Showcase Ends**: Monday, April 26, 2021

**Application Process:**

1. Submit the following materials at [www.pbcms.org](http://www.pbcms.org) by Friday, March 12, 2021 at 5:00 pm
   a. Poster Application Form, including Abstract of no greater than 450 words
   b. A completed and *signed Disclosure Form for each person* listed as an author

**Video Presentation Requirements**

Poster photos are to be emailed to deannal@pbcms.org by 5:00 pm on Friday, April 2, 2021. Photos must be 2560 x 1920.

Oral presentations are to be submitted deannal@pbcms.org by YouTube video link by 5:00 pm on Friday, April 2, 2021. Video should be 3 to 5 minutes.

**Video Suggestions**
Keep in mind that your audience may have no prior knowledge of your topic.
Before discussing detailed findings, situate your research within some broader context and identify early-on the research question or problem that your project aims to address (as appropriate).

In order to make the virtual environment as effective and productive as possible, you **may use any functions available within PowerPoint Video recording when preparing your presentation**. This includes the option to use the zoom-in feature to ensure your poster is most readable and visible (see below for Microsoft PowerPoint instructions on the zoom feature). These added features are not required in anyway. This is simply to allow participants to decide what is best for them.

**Microsoft PowerPoint Instructions:**
https://support.microsoft.com/en-us/office/use-zoom-for-powerpoint-to-bring-your-presentation-to-life-9d6c58cd-2125-4d29-86b1-0097c7dc47d7

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