

Deadline: March 1

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Overview

The 2024 OSAP Annual Conference, being held in Tucson, AZ, from May 30 – June 1, at the Westin La Paloma Resort and Spa will mark the **40th year of OSAP!** The conference is an opportunity for the oral healthcare community to engage in exceptional learning experiences to advance professional development and learn about the latest scientific and evidence-based information in dental infection prevention, occupational health, and patient safety.

OSAP welcomes **Poster Presentations** on clinical practice, education, scholarly, and secondary research related to the practice of dental infection control and safety in oral health settings.

We welcome original research, literature reviews, meta-analyses, and case reports. Individuals at all career stages – including students - are encouraged to submit one or more abstracts. Topics of interest include:

- evidence-based practices for infection prevention and control,
- new initiatives,
- outcomes research,
- patient perception and engagement in infection prevention and control,
- international and multidisciplinary issues,
- regulatory issues affecting dental healthcare professionals,
- patient and provider safety topics,
- implementation of new technologies and innovations, and
- compliance issues confronted in clinical practice.

Important Dates and Deadlines

- March 1: Submission Deadline
- April: Notifications Emailed
- May 30 June 1: 2024 OSAP Annual Conference Tucson, AZ
 - May 31: Poster Presentations

Student Competition

OSAP invites students of all levels to submit abstracts for poster presentations. Submissions can include a faculty mentor as a co-author, and/or students can work in teams of two. Both completed works and works-in-progress are acceptable for the student competition.

Posters accepted for the Student Poster Competition **MUST** be led and presented by the student listed as first author. In case of an emergency, another co-author may present, however the poster will not be judged for the student poster competition. Posters not led by a student as described above will be disqualified. During the competition, the presenter is required to be by his/her/their poster for the duration of the presentation time. Failure to do so will result in the poster not being judged.

Presentations will be judged onsite, and the poster judged best overall will be awarded a certificate and a cash prize.

James A. Cottone Award for Excellence in Investigative Research

The poster judged best overall will be awarded the James A. Cottone Award for Excellence in Investigative Research, which includes a cash award of \$500 and a recognition plaque. Abstracts published or presented at another scientific meeting may be submitted but will not be eligible to compete for the Cottone Award.

How to Submit

All abstracts for Poster Presentations must be submitted online. We recommend that you write your abstract in a word processing program and then paste it into the submission site. Once you start the application, you cannot move backward. However, you can make edits post-submission until **March 1, 2024**.

Submission Website:

https://pheedloop.com/osapconference/proposal/start/?call=CALR3EFK0QDD9Y1

If the abstract is accepted, OSAP will use the information on our event website, meeting app, and printed program guide.

*Note: Accepted abstracts will not be published in a scientific journal.

A confirmation email will be sent upon completion of the submission.

If you have questions, please get in touch with office@osap.org.

Abstract Requirements

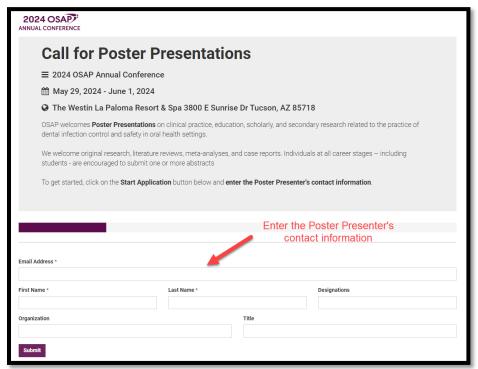
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Poster Presenter

One person should be identified as the Poster Presenter. This person will be responsible for all communication with OSAP.

If you are submitting for the student competition, the student should be the Poster Presenter.

**If you are submitting the application on behalf of the Poster Presenter, please make sure the enter the Poster Presenter's contact information on the screen below **



Abstract Title

Titles should be limited to 10 words and should be entered in title case, following AP style. Titles should not be in "all caps." <u>Click here to Capitalize My Title</u>.

• Remember: Make the title dynamic and conclusive, rather than descriptive. A powerful title excites the reader and should convince someone to attend your presentation.

Abstract Text

All poster abstracts should be **300 words or less**. You will copy/paste this information into a text box in the online form.

- All abstracts must contain the following section headings:
 - Objectives
 - Methods
 - Results
 - Conclusions
- Do not include your title in the abstract text.
- Do not include references in the abstract text.
- Do not include funding sources in the abstract text.
- Do not include any author-identifying material in the body of the abstract.
- The use of jargon and unfamiliar abbreviations is discouraged.
- The use of *generic* drug names and product descriptions should be used whenever possible. If the brand name is required to aid the readers' understanding, the manufacturer's name and city and state location are to be provided in parentheses within the text.

Presentation Format

In the application select "Poster" for the presentation format.

Co-Authors

You can list up to five (5) co-authors. Each should be added separately to the submission. Enter first (given) name, and last (family/surname) name, designations (e.g., DDS, RDH, RDA, etc.), plus institution/affiliation.

Funding Sources

Report all funding sources and granting agencies that supported your work, as well as all institutional or corporate affiliations of all the authors. If based on research funded entirely or partially by an outside source, please list the funding agency and grant number.

- Institutional Review Board (IRB): If the abstract describes a research project with human subjects, the
 authors must state that the project was IRB-approved for the use of human subjects or whether the
 project was exempt from review. For details on IRB requirements, please consult your institution's
 guidelines.
- Research Involving Laboratory Animals: If the abstract describes research using laboratory animals, the authors must state that the protocol was reviewed by an Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee or Ethical Oversight Body. Institutional Review Board (IRB)

Conflicts of Interest

All authors must disclose any financial and personal relationships with others or organizations that could inappropriately influence (bias) their work. Examples of potential COI:

- Employment, Consultancies, stock ownership, honoraria, paid expert testimony, patent applications/registrations, grants, or other funding.
- If there are no conflicts of interest, please state: 'Conflicts of interest: none'. See also elsevier.com/conflictsofinterest.

Files - Tables and Graphics/Images

Tables are permitted but should be simple and concise. Graphics/images are not recommended unless they are integral to the abstract and should be limited to no more than one or two.

Poster Presenter Information

Presenter Agreement

All presenters agree to the following conditions when submitting an abstract:

- 1. Affirm that any work with human or animal subjects reported in the abstract complies with the guiding principles for experimental procedures found in the Declaration of Helsinki of the World Medical Association, and that this research project has been duly cleared by my Institutional Review Board (IRB) or Institutional Ethics Committee or an equivalent ethical body.
- 2. Agree to register for the meeting and pay the appropriate registration fee.

Presenter Compensation

The Poster Presenter will receive a **15% discount on registration to the conference**. Any additional special events are at their expense, including the registration for guests and/or spouses. Hotel, ground transportation, and meals are at their expense.

Any co-authors will be responsible for the full registration fee.

Presenter Expectations

- 1. Hang your poster by **10:00 AM on Friday, May 31,** and remove it promptly before 5:00 PM on Saturday, June 1.
 - a. IMPORTANT: OSAP will recycle posters not picked up by 5:00 PM on Saturday, June 1.
- 2. Be available at poster from 12:00 1:00 PM on Friday, May 31, to answer questions.
- 3. OSAP will monitor posters during the presentation hours to make certain that OSAP is meeting the educational needs and expectations of attendees.
- 4. OSAP does not have an official poster printing partner. OSAP will not offer poster printing or hanging services.

Presenter Changes

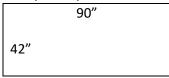
If you are unable to attend and wish to name a substitute presenter, please use the following guidelines:

- Substitute presenter must be a co-author.
- Substitution requests must be made PRIOR to the meeting.
- All presenter changes must be communicated to and approved by OSAP staff prior to the scheduled presentation.

Failure to follow the above procedures may result in the presenter being charged the full registration fee and not being allowed to present at a future meeting

Poster Specifications

• Each poster presentation board measures 42 inches high and 90 inches wide:



- Posters should be printed horizontally and not exceed the size of the presentation board.
- Text and illustrations must be readable from distances of at least three feet. Use lightweight materials only. Heavy articles may fall off the board.
- Disclosures must never include the use of a trade name or a product group message. List all disclosures once at the bottom of the poster.
- Sponsored abstracts may credit the sponsoring commercial entity in a plain text statement at the bottom of the poster. Product or company logos must never be used. Non-commercial institution (e.g., universities, non-profit associations, and government agencies) logos may appear.
- Posters may be broken into several smaller portions but must not exceed 42" x 90".
- Push pins to mount materials will be available on-site.
- No audiovisual, projection, or computer equipment requiring electrical power will be permitted in the poster area.

Continuing Education Information

ADA CERP Recognition

ADA C·E·R·P® | Continuing Education Recognition Program

OSAP is an ADA Continuing Education Recognition Program (CERP) Provider.

ADA CERP is a service of the American Dental Association to assist dental professionals in identifying quality providers of continuing dental education. ADA CERP does not approve or endorse individual courses or instructors, nor does it imply acceptance of credit hours by boards of dentistry.

Concerns or complaints about a CE provider may be directed to the provider or to the Commission for Continuing Education Provider Recognition at ADA.org/CERP.

OSAP will announce the maximum number of continuing education credits available in spring 2024.

<u>Learn more about OSAP's CE Program & Provider Recognition.</u>

CE Guidelines

- Presentations must address the 2024 OSAP Annual Conference learning objectives:
 - Describe current and emerging issues related to infection prevention and safety in oral healthcare settings.
 - Demonstrate the implementation of best practices, new resources, and tools to facilitate compliance.
 - o Identify important attributes to develop and enhance global leadership for the optimal delivery of infection prevention and The Safest Dental Visit™.
- Presentations must provide a balanced view of all evidence-based infection prevention and safety options.
- Presentations must NOT promote specific products, drugs, devices, services, or techniques.
 - Whenever possible, generic names must be used to contribute to the impartiality of the program presented. If reference must be made to a specific product by its trade name, reference shall also be made to competitive products.
- Speaker(s) must disclose whether they (or an immediate family member) have a financial
 interest/arrangement or affiliation with the corporate organization offering financial support or grant
 monies for this continuing dental education program, or have a financial interest in any commercial
 product(s) or service(s) they will discuss in the presentation.
 - Disclosure will include the speaker's name, the name of the commercial interest, and the nature of the relationship the individual has with each commercial interest.
 - o Disclosure will not include the use of a trade name or product message.
 - o For individuals that have no relevant financial relationships, the speaker will disclose that no relevant relationships exist.
 - Disclosure will be made before the start of the continuing education activity and will be made in writing, either in publicity materials, course materials, and/or audiovisual materials.

CE Disclaimer

The 2024 OSAP Annual Conference is planned and presented by the Annual Conference Planning Committee to provide participants with a relevant and rewarding continuing educational experience. However, neither the content of a course nor the use of specific products in lectures or workshops should be construed as indicating endorsement or approval by OSAP of the views presented or the products used.

Speakers must present a balanced view of therapeutic options, use generic names of products whenever possible, use images that have not been falsified or misrepresent the treatment outcome, and refrain from marketing or promoting any products or commercial services. Speakers must include peer-reviewed content supported by generally accepted scientific principles or methods that can be substantiated or supported with peer-reviewed scientific literature that is relevant and current. Speakers must support clinical recommendations with references from the scientific literature, with a sound scientific basis, whenever possible. Speakers disclose to participants any financial, commercial, or promotional interest in a product or company that may influence their presentations. However, OSAP shall not be liable for a speaker's failure to disclose such interest.

Poster Abstract Evaluation Rubric

Criterion	Excellent – 4	Good – 3	Fair – 2	Needs Extensive
				Improvement - 1
Content	The abstract presents issues of	The abstract focuses on issues	The abstract is related to	The abstract does not clearly
	immediate relevance and	and evidence based on current	dental infection prevention,	focus on issues of importance
	importance for dental	best practices in dental	occupational health, and/or	and relevance to best practices
	infection prevention,	infection prevention,	patient safety, but does not	in dental infection prevention,
	occupational health, and/or	occupational health, and/or	contain information relevant	occupational health, and/or
	patient safety, with evidence-	patient safety.	to best practices.	patient safety.
	based current best practices.			
Clarity	The title, objectives, methods,	The title, objectives, methods,	The title, objectives, methods,	The title, objectives, methods,
	results, and conclusion are	results, and conclusion are	results, and conclusion findings	results, and conclusion are
	clear and very well described.	generally well described.	are unclear.	incomplete and unclear.
Format	The abstract clearly	The abstract is adequately	The abstract describes	The abstract does not provide
	describes research purpose,	presented in terms of	research in dental education,	evidence of sound research
	methods, appropriate	rationale, objectives,	but does not clearly describe	and/or scientific methodology
	analysis of data and an	methods, appropriate data	the rationale, objectives,	which substantiates the
	accurate, meaningful and	analysis and conclusion.	methods, data analysis or	conclusion.
	concise conclusion.		conclusion.	
Professional	The abstract is clearly written	The abstract requires some	The abstract requires	The abstract is incomplete,
Writing and	and provides evidence of	editing and provides	considerable editing, and/or	unclear or lacks evidence of
Protection of	IRB approval (including	evidence of IRB approval	evidence of IRB approval	IRB approval (including Exempt
Participants	Exempt status), if required.	(including Exempt status), if	(including Exempt status), if	status), if required.
		required.	required, is unclear.	
Contribution	The abstract will make a	The abstract will make a	The abstract will make a	The abstract does not identify
	significant contribution to	contribution that will be of	limited contribution that will	its contributions to areas and
	multiple areas and aspects	interest to areas and aspects	be of interest to some areas	aspects of dental infection
	of dental infection prevention,	of dental infection prevention,	and aspects of dental infection	prevention, occupational
	occupational health, and/or	occupational health, and/or	prevention, occupational	health, and/or patient safety.
	patient safety.	patient safety.	health, and/or patient safety.	