



Professional Education Scholarship Competition

39TH ANNUAL RESPIRATORY CARE CONFERENCE

GOALS

To further the educational opportunities for the working respiratory care practitioner. Scholarship awards may be used for any educational program offered to the RCP, including

- Accredited CRCE
- Educational seminars
- Advanced degrees (RRT, BS, MS, PhD)
- Advanced credentialing (CPFT, RPFT, NPS, SDS, RPSGT, AEC)



ELIGIBILITY

In order to be eligible for participation in the poster competition, the applicant must be:

- A practicing, credentialed respiratory care practitioner licensed in the state of Missouri.
- In good standing at the applicant's place of employment
- An active member of MSRC/AARC

SUBMISSIONS

MSRC welcomes original abstracts related to the science and technology of respiratory care. Abstracts should be an evaluation of a method, device or protocol, an original study or a case study. Abstracts will be de-identified and evaluated on merit. The winning submission will also require presentation of the abstract in poster format at the 39th Annual MSRC Conference (April 2010).

ABSTRACT SPECIFICATIONS

The abstract should be single spaced, one paragraph, 1.5" margins, 300 word maximum. Abstracts should fall into one of the following categories:

Evaluation of a method, device or protocol:

- Background: Identification of the method, device or protocol and its intended function.
- Method: Description of evaluation in sufficient detail to permit judgment of its objectives and validity
- Results: Findings of the evaluation
- Conclusions; Interpretation of the evaluation and experience. Cost comparisons should be included where possible and appropriate.

Original study:

- Background: Must include a statement of problem in our clinical knowledge, a research question, or hypothesis that addresses this problem, and a rationale supporting the hypothesis or question.
- Method: Description of the research subjects studied, the research design and conduct in sufficient detail to permit judgment of validity. Must include a statement of the statistical tests used to analyze any data.
- Results: Statement of research findings with quantitative data and statistical analysis.
- Conclusion; Interpretation of the results

Case study (must report a case that is uncommon or of exceptional educational value):

- Introduction: Relevant basic information important to the understanding of the case.
- Case summary: Patient data and response, details of interventions.
- Discussion: Content should reflect the results of the literature review. The author (s) should have been actively involved in the case, and a managing physician must be a co-author or approve the report.

AWARDS

Once the applicant submits an abstract to the committee, it becomes property of the MSRC and can be revised/reprinted in the official publications of the Society.

The scholarship carries a maximum award of \$1,000.00. One scholarship will be awarded each year. The award will be paid to the educational institution or credentialing agency of the recipient's choice, not to the individual.

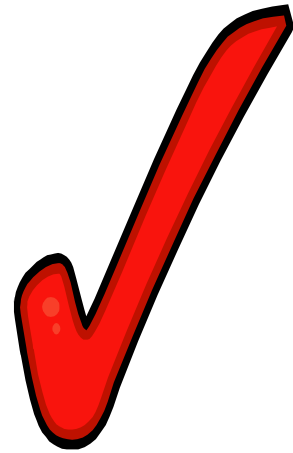
The recipient of the award is required to submit the abstract to the Open Forum at the AARC International Congress or Summer Forum. If the abstract is accepted, conference/travel fees will be paid by the MSRC (up to \$1500).

Registration fees for the MSRC annual meeting are waived for scholarship recipients. Scholarship recipients will be notified mid-April and will be officially presented at the MSRC annual meeting. If the winners are unable to attend, their awards will be sent to them in May.

Applications are accepted year round up to April 1.

SUBMISSION CHECKLIST

- Submit a letter of recommendation from your employer stating that you are in good standing by April 1, 2010.
- Submit an electronic copy of your abstract following the abstract preparation guidelines set by the AARC by April 1, 2010.
- Submit a separate electronic page with your name, address, telephone number, email address, and AARC number by April 1, 2010.



All submissions should be in Word document format and sent to the scholarship committee chairperson via email:

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