Instructions for

PEARLS

Abstract Submissions

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WHAT IS A PEARL?
A pearl presentation is very short -- just 5 minutes. The goal of each pearl is to convey one idea, concept or fact that has been useful in day-to-day practice, and is not widely known, understood, published, or taught. It should not be a review of literature or something that is commonly known. While it is expected that the information be factual, pearl presentations should be based on acumen and years of practice, not a review of papers.

SELECTION CRITERIA
Pearls will be selected based on the following criteria:
✓ Innovation
✓ Usefulness
✓ Practicality
✓ Applicability to practice

NOTE: ASHP will not accept abstracts that have been ghostwritten or have been commissioned by a commercial entity for the express purpose of positive publicity for a product or service.

SUGGESTED TOPICS
We encourage you to consider the following topics for your pearl proposal:

- Unique ways to challenge superstar residents
- Recruiting strategies at Midyear
- Facilitating small group discussion -- especially among different levels of learners
- Training residents to become preceptors
- Effective strategies in residency selection and interviewing
- Longitudinal rotations
- Managing conflicts with multiple levels of learners, especially PGY1 vs. PGY2
- Feedback strategies (include role-playing strategies)
- Teambuilding

- Remediating poor performers, managing behavioral issues, etc.
- How to use PHORCAS to its full potential
- Balancing precepting with other duties / integrating precepting into daily practice
- Resident stress/burnout
- Social media
- Precepting in ambulatory & community settings (e.g. rounding in a nonacademic environment)
- Difficult conversations
- Integrating students/residents into precepting
- Managing preceptees on their 1st rotation

We also are seeking precepting topics directed at new preceptors and those precepting students:

- Managing learners at different levels
- How to incorporate students into daily workflow
- Designing rotations for specialty programs
- Motivating / challenging preceptees
- Creative ways to meet individual learning styles
- Professionalism – what to do with those who lack it, how to teach it
- Communication styles
- Managing preceptees on their 1st rotation
- Teaching self-reflection

- Preparing rotation calendars for varying lengths of time (2wk, 4wk, 8wk) – and types of activities/projects
- Engaging a student not interested in your practice site
- Critical thinking skills: connecting the dots
- Balancing precepting with other duties / integrating precepting into daily practice (time management)
- Student contributions to patient care
SUBMITTING YOUR ABSTRACT

Submissions will be accepted online only at [http://www.ashp.org/get_involved](http://www.ashp.org/get_involved). If accepted, then only one person will be permitted to present the pearl.

Online, you will be asked to complete the following items:

1. **TITLE OF PRESENTATION** (think creative and catchy!)
2. **DESCRIPTION OF YOUR PROJECT/PEARL** (Limit: 250 words) briefly describe the project or pearl you are proposing. How is it innovative? Can others implement this pearl in their institutions? What problem does it solve?
   Note: Only those pearls related to practice will be considered. See “Selection Criteria” for more details.
3. **LEARNING OBJECTIVE** (only 1 is required) a learning objective describes what you want the learners to be able to do as a result of participating in your educational program. Do not describe what the program will do or say.
4. **SELF-ASSESSMENT QUESTION** (only 1 is required) write one question for learners to self-assess their grasp of the content. Base your question on your learning objective. Questions must be written either in multiple-choice or true/false format.

**NOTIFICATION**

By late April, you will be notified via email whether your submission was accepted for presentation.

**MEETING REGISTRATION**

Presenting a pearl at our meeting is a voluntary effort and ASHP cannot pay expenses for your participation. If your submission is accepted, then **you are responsible for your own meeting registration fee and travel**. All presenters must be registered for the meeting. If accepted, then only one person will be permitted to present the pearl.

Thank you for your interest in the ASHP National Pharmacy Preceptors Conference. Good luck!