

## RULES

# 2014 Trauma Paper Competition

October 13, 2014

Medical Mart & Convention Center  
Cleveland, Ohio

**DEADLINE: Friday, September 5, 2014**



1. The competition is open to all general surgery residents, surgical specialty residents, and trauma fellows. Medical students are not eligible.
2. Entries should represent original work done by the contestant while a resident in the state of Ohio. The principal author of the abstract must be that resident.
3. The abstract must be submitted online at [www.ohiofacts.org](http://www.ohiofacts.org). Please ensure that the abstract has all identification of authors and institutions. The online program abstract form should accompany the abstract.
4. The abstract should be no more than three pages and provide adequate information and objective data to evaluate the abstract properly. The abstract should be submitted electronically as a Word document. It is permissible to single-space the abstract. At the top of the first page, the full title of the abstract and full name of the principal author, with academic degrees, are to be stated. At the bottom of the first page, a footnote should be included to provide the principal author's mailing address, telephone number, fax number, and e-mail address.
5. The abstracts should describe original research in trauma, critical care, or injury prevention. The topics can be categorized as either: 1) basic laboratory research or 2) clinical investigation.
6. The program abstract form must be accompanied by a letter of sponsorship from a department chair or program director of the contestant who is a member of the Ohio Chapter of the American College of Surgeons. This letter must attest to the originality of this work and its compliance with the rules of the contest.
7. To be eligible for presentation at the national level, abstracts submitted may have been previously presented but not published as full papers in any peer-reviewed journal before March 2015. As a condition of submission, the contestant agrees to present this work on October 13, 2014 in Cleveland. Failure to present the work will result in forfeiture of the submission.
8. A panel of judges will select the ten (10) papers to be presented on October 13 in Cleveland, Ohio.
9. The format will be a eight-minute presentation that includes five minutes for presentation and three minutes for questions/answers.
10. The deadline for the contest is Friday, September 5, 2014. Entries received after that date will not be considered.
11. Winners from the OCOT Trauma Paper Competition will be required to submit their paper for presentation at the Regional Committee on Trauma's Paper Competition in Chicago in November (dates to be announced). The winning participant from the Basic Science and Clinical Science Category will have travel expenses related to the meeting paid for by the Ohio Committee on Trauma.

## **ABSTRACT SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS**

### **OHIO COMMITTEE ON TRAUMA TRAUMA PAPER COMPETITION**

**FINALIST PRESENTATIONS: October 13, 2014  
LOCATION: Medical Mart & Convention Center, Cleveland, OH**

#### **INSTRUCTIONS**

##### **HOW TO SUBMIT**

- Abstracts must be received by Friday, September 5, 2014 for consideration.
- Submit abstracts online at [www.ohiofacts.org](http://www.ohiofacts.org).

##### **STEP 1**

- Input Title of Abstract in Title Case.
- Input Author Name, Academic Degrees, Author Institution, Street Address, City, State, ZIP, Daytime Phone, and Email Address.
- Input Sponsor Name and Submission Date.
- Check the box that states that the abstract represents original work done.
- Select which category your submission is to be considered: Basic Science or Clinical Science.
- Check the box regarding your understanding that you will present your Abstract on October 13, 2014 in Cleveland, Ohio.

##### **STEP 2**

- Upload your Abstract following the instructions below.

##### **ABSTRACT SUBMISSIONS**

- Abstracts must be received by Friday, September 5 for consideration.
- Limit the abstract to three 8½ by 11 inch pages. The abstract should be typed with 1" borders on all sides; font size at least 10 points.
- CAPITALIZE THE ENTIRE TITLE.
- Type the authors' names followed by the name and location of the authors' institution.
- The principal author of the essay must be a resident or trauma fellow.
- Authors' names, degrees, and the institution should be present on the abstract.
- Include Background, Objectives, Methods, and Results.
- Photos, graphs, or graphics must be neat and legible.
- At the bottom of the first page, a footnote should be included to provide the principal author's mailing address, telephone number, fax number, and e-mail address.