FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

1. What is the CMDA WPC TRI ePoster Session?
   a. The WPC TRI (Technology, Research, and Innovation) ePoster Session is an opportunity for undergraduate students, health professional students, residents/fellows, and attendings to showcase their research/vignette live in person at the annual WPC Conference.
   b. Instead of printing out your poster, we will provide templates for you to use for an electronic version of your poster and also for a PPT slide presentation. This format will decrease the cost of printing and remove the inconvenience of traveling with your poster.
   c. We want everyone to have access to your hard work! Therefore, the abstracts and ePosters will be available to all attendees in the online CMDA ISSUU View, so you may look at them whenever you would like during the conference! Here is an example of the ISSUU View Abstract Booklet for a different poster session held in 2019 (the VIE poster session at the National CMDA Convention) on pages 74-113: https://issuu.com/cmdacommunications/docs/conventionprogram2019.

2. What does TRI mean?
   TRI is pronounced “tree” and represents the acronym for Technology, Research, and Innovation, as well as our recognition of the Trinity and Jesus as a tree of life vital to our lives as Christians, providing inspiration and excellence for our scholarly work.

   I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing. John 15:5 NIV

3. How do I apply?
   a. We would love for you to submit an abstract of your work. The abstracts will be reviewed and selected with an opportunity for feedback from our abstract reviewers.
b. Once your abstract has been selected, we ask that you prepare an electronic poster and also a 5-slide core presentation of your work. See details in the templates provided on the ePoster session website.

c. The ePoster session will be offered to attendees as a workshop on Saturday during the conference. Presenters will likely have at least 5 minutes to talk about their work in a low-pressure setting with at least 2 minutes for questions immediately following each presentation. Presenters will also be available for 1-on-1 discussions towards the end of the session.

d. The TRI ePoster session is a great opportunity to practice your presentation skills in a room full of Christian Physicians who are there to support you, provide constructive feedback, and network.

4. Why should I participate?
   a. We want to celebrate you and all of your hard work!
   b. Your presentations will be judged and feedback will be provided, so you may continue to hone your presentation.
   c. There will be a prize/award for our first place winner among students or other trainees, and honorable mention certificates potentially available to all trainees and faculty.

5. What are the advantages and disadvantages to having an ePoster session?
   a. Advantages:
      i. No need to print out a poster and worry about transporting it to the conference. This reduces cost and is also more environmentally friendly.
      ii. Your poster will be available to every attendee on their smartphones for the entirety of the conference.
      iii. Each presenter will have time and a captive audience dedicated to their research/vignette presentation.
   b. Disadvantage:
      i. Presenters will be given 5 minutes to showcase their work, which will be an opportunity to sharpen their presenting skills in a safe environment, but is more formal than the traditional poster session that allows attendees to visit each poster at their own leisure.

Please contact us at TriEposterSession@Gmail.Com with any questions, comments, concerns, or feedback.

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