**Deadline passed: Call for Abstracts is currently closed**

**Poster Session: Call for Abstracts**

**General Information**

Abstracts will be accepted for a Poster Session at the 2015 Prematurity Prevention Conference taking place November 17-18th, 2015 at the Crystal Gateway Marriott in Crystal City, VA. The Conference Poster Session seeks to feature programs, collaborations, policies and other activities that promote the prevention of preterm births on the hospital, provider, community, state-wide, national, and global level. Conference attendees will include healthcare providers, public health practitioners, insurers, policy makers, purchasers, regulators, practitioners, and representatives from community-based organizations. The Poster Session will take place on Tuesday, November 17th, 2015 at 4:30pm.

The goals of the 2015 Conference are to:

1. Enhance prematurity prevention efforts in the US through the sharing of information about the design, implementation and evaluation of interventions, programs, policies, and other activities to prevent preterm births
2. Disseminate findings on evidence-based practices, programs, and policies and share tools and resources that can be used to prevent prematurity
3. Engage stakeholders to participate in the effort to achieve the goal of reducing U.S. preterm births to 5.5 percent of all live births by 2030

For information regarding the 2015 Prematurity Prevention Conference, please go to www.marchofdimes.org/conference

**Guidelines for Poster Abstract Submission Form**

- Person listed as ‘main contact’ on the poster abstract submission form will be contacted and informed of progress and acceptance for the poster session
- Poster abstracts must be 250 words or less (Titles and author names are not included in that word count)
- You will be asked to choose from a list of topic categories that your poster submission falls into. It is acceptable to choose multiple topic categories if applicable
- List names of all authors in the order in which you wish them to appear in the Conference handouts
- List the affiliations of each author such as university or organization
- Do not use tables, charts, or graphs in your abstract submission (they can be included in the actual poster)
- There is no limit to the number of poster abstracts one author may submit for consideration
- **Deadline for submission of poster abstracts is Friday, August 28, 2015**
General Rules

• Those who have or can create a poster display on a program, collaboration, or other activity that promotes the prevention of preterm births are invited to apply.
• There is no submission fee required. However, the presenter of the poster is expected to register for the Conference.
• At least one poster presenter is expected to register and remain by his/her poster for the duration of the poster session at the Prematurity Prevention Conference.
• Posters should be no larger than 4ft x 6ft.
• If chosen, participants of the poster session are solely responsible for the transport of the poster to the poster session.
• Display boards and tacks to hang and display posters will be provided on-site.
• Posters will be required to be on display November 17th, 2015 beginning at 4:30pm for the duration of the session.
• Presenters should begin setting up their posters starting at 4:00pm on November 17th, 2015 (30 minutes prior to the session).
• Posters should be taken down within 30 minutes after the session ends. The March of Dimes will not be responsible for posters or display materials that have not been removed following the conclusion of the session.
• If chosen, you have the option to grant the March of Dimes permission to post a digital version of your poster and abstract on the www.prematurityprevention.org website after the Conference.

Important Dates

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*Withdrawal: Written request must be submitted by 5:00pm ET on October 16, 2015 to conferences@marchofdimes.org with “Poster Abstract Withdrawal” in the subject line.

Contact Information

For questions on the Poster Session, email conferences@marchofdimes.org

For information on the 2015 Prematurity Prevention Conference: Quality Improvement, Evidence and Practice, please go to: www.marchofdimes.org/conference

For more information about prematurity prevention activities, go to www.prematurityprevention.org

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