

**Academy of Managed Care Pharmacy
Call for Abstracts
AMCP Managed Care & Specialty Pharmacy Annual Meeting 2018**

The Academy of Managed Care Pharmacy (AMCP) invites submissions for abstracts to be presented at the **AMCP Managed Care & Specialty Pharmacy Annual Meeting 2018**, which will be held **April 23-26**, at the Boston Convention and Exhibition Center in Boston, Massachusetts.

Poster presentations provide a forum during which authors can share their insights and outcomes, and interested attendees can interact with authors and review their findings.

Poster presentations for the 2018 AMCP Annual Meeting are scheduled for **Wednesday, April 25, from 12:30 pm to 2:30 pm**. For each poster, at least one author must be available during the poster presentations to discuss the research and findings. Posters will also be displayed on **Tuesday, April 24, from 5:45 pm to 7:30 pm**, during the opening night reception in the Expo and **Thursday, April 26, from 9:30 am to 11:00 am** in the Expo.

Set up:

Tuesday, April 24, 11:30 am to 3:00 pm

Tear down:

Thursday, April 26, 11:00 am to 12:00 pm: All posters must be removed by noon or they will be removed and discarded by convention center staff.

The 3 most highly rated abstracts will be selected for a 15-minute podium presentation as part of an education session in the “**Practical Research that Identifies and Illuminates**” education track at the AMCP Managed Care & Specialty Pharmacy Annual Meeting 2018. Exact date and location will be provided at a later time. Based on the content, the podium presentations may be accredited for continuing pharmacy education credit, so they must comply with AMCP and Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE) requirements. If your abstract is selected for a podium presentation, the AMCP Education Department will work directly with the presenter. Podium presenters will still have the option to present with the other posters.

Important Dates

- **Friday, January 12, 2018, 5:30 pm Eastern** —All poster abstracts must be submitted no later than 5:30 pm Eastern Time (roughly 90 days before the meeting).
- **Mid-February 2018**—Accept/reject email notification will be sent (roughly 60 days before the meeting).

Every accepted abstract must have one unique author registered and attending the meeting. “Unique” means the same author will not be able to represent multiple abstracts. The first author does not need to be the registered or presenting author.

How to Submit an Abstract

Abstracts must be submitted online. Please [CLICK HERE](#) to begin your submission.

The submission site will guide the submitter through the process. Once started, work can be saved to be completed at a future time. Work can be revised at any time before the submission deadline, even if it has been submitted.

Abstracts are acknowledged by email immediately after being submitted. If you do not receive an acknowledgment, please contact Michelle Perkins at mperkins@amcp.org.

For general tips on writing a research abstract, please refer to this link and related articles published on the topic. <http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC3114208/>

AUTHOR CATEGORY

Student authors who are the first author have the option of submitting complete or incomplete studies through a non-reviewed track. All other abstracts must be submitted through the review track and have complete results at the time of submission.

Professional Reviewed: For these abstracts, research results must be included in the submitted abstract. Student pharmacists, graduate students, residents, and fellows are eligible for this author category.

Student/Resident/Fellow Non-Reviewed: This category is only available for students, residents, or These non-reviewed abstracts usually reflect projects where data are not available at the time of submission but may be available at the time of the meeting. The **first author must be a student pharmacist, graduate student, resident, or fellow**. Student abstracts are **not** printed in the *JMCP* Meeting Abstracts supplement.*

*AMCP Foundation Best Student Pharmacist, Best Graduate Student, and Best Resident/Fellow Poster competition is held during **annual meetings only**. [CLICK HERE](#) for more information on the competition.

Encore Presenter: This category applies to abstracts that have been presented and published with another organization. Authors of these abstracts will display the poster at the AMCP Managed Care & Specialty Pharmacy Annual Meeting 2018 using the format required for the meeting. The title of the abstract will be included in the meeting program. These abstracts will not be eligible for podium presentations and will not be published in the *JMCP* Meeting Abstracts supplement because of the copyright ownership of the original presenting organization.

AUTHORS

Author information is entered, and author order is selected. **If the submitter is not an author, the submitter's name is removed from the author list.**

By submitting an abstract, authors agree to the following requirements:

- All authors have met the [authorship criteria](#) defined by the International Committee for Medical Journal Editors.
- Abstracts must present content not previously published as an abstract or article (except for Encore abstracts).
- At least one author of each accepted abstract (preferably the primary author) must register for and attend the meeting.
- Changes to the abstracts will not be considered after the submission deadline.

SUBMISSION TYPE

One of three abstract types (defined below) is selected in this step. Once selected, the type for that abstract cannot be changed, but a new abstract may be initiated by the same author.

CHOICE	TYPE	DEFINITION
<input checked="" type="radio"/>	Research Reports	Describe completed original research on managed care pharmacy services or health care interventions. Examples include (but are not limited to) observational studies using administrative claims, reports of the effects of unique benefit design strategies, and analyses of the effects of innovative administrative or clinical programs.
<input type="radio"/>	Economic Models	Discuss models that support various clinical decisions before prospective studies using actual health plan data can be conducted. For example, an economic model could be used to predict the budget impact of a new pharmaceutical product on a health care system.
<input type="radio"/>	Solving Problems in Managed Care	Describe a problem or issue that exists in managed care, the goal for the intervention or practice, and the intervention or best practice implemented to address a specific issue (e.g., introduce a needed change, develop and implement a new system or program, plan and organize an administrative function, or solve other types of problems in managed care settings). Describe what was observed after or when the intervention or best practice was implemented. Provide a general overview of subjective and objective findings and recommendations for future work/research. This abstract type is not as rigorous as a research report, which would describe the outcomes of an intervention. These studies are not at the level to conduct hypothesis testing, so they do not have firm conclusions.

TITLE/BODY

Disease or Condition Grouping

Based on ICD-10 codes, insert the ICD-10 block that best describes the disease, diseases, or conditions described in the abstract. These codes are only used to arrange abstracts in the exhibit hall and in the *JMCP* Meeting Abstracts supplement. (This is a useful site to look up ICD-10 codes: <http://www.icd10data.com/ICD10CM/>.) Enter the letter and first two numbers in the block below. Use 00 in the block if it includes many diseases, e.g., Asthma is J45. U00 is used for unclassified topics, such as care management, specialty pharmacy, rare diseases, pharmacy education, star ratings, pharmacist services, medication therapy management (MTM), outcome analyzers, Medicare Part D, multi-disease studies, accountable care organizations, and the Affordable Care Act.

Abstract Structure

Headings for the abstract sections vary by abstract type and cannot be modified.

For **Research Report** and **Economic Model**, the abstract headings are Background, Objective, Methods, Results, and Conclusions.

For **Solving Problems in Managed Care**, the headings are Problem Description, Goal, Program Description, Observations, and Findings/Recommendations.

The maximum number of characters in the abstract is 2,600, including spaces, and the total number used is tabulated and reported by the submission site. This count does NOT include title, authors, or disclosure statements but does include sponsorship.

Sponsorship

List all sponsors in relative order of sponsorship level. If the work was sponsored fully or partly by your employer, list its name. In-kind sponsors should also be listed.

DISCLOSURES

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Encore abstracts will not be published in the *JMCP* Meeting Abstracts supplement due to the copyright ownership of the original presenting organization.

Accepted Professional Reviewed abstracts will be published in the *JMCP* Meeting Abstracts supplement. As such, copyright clearance must be obtained by *JMCP* (see below). One of the following conditions applies to your reviewed abstract submission. All of the following statements must be selected when submitting your abstract online:

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 - This work is either a Student/Resident/Fellow non-reviewed abstract, or an Encore abstract, and copyright clearance is not required.
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REVIEW AND SUBMISSION

Submission Instructions

Before submitting, please review your submission based on the following selection criteria. Even after pressing submit, an abstract submission can be revised up to the close of abstract submissions.

Selection Criteria

Abstracts will be evaluated on the basis of merit according to the following criteria, which are also used for *JMCP* manuscript review. Those abstracts with the highest scores (except for Encore abstracts and Student/Resident/Fellow non-reviewed categories) will be designated in the *JMCP* Meeting Abstracts supplement and with a Gold, Silver, or Bronze ribbon in the exhibit hall.

- Relevance to managed care
- Originality
- Quality of the work
- Bias
- Clarity

View Proof

The proof is the final version of your submission. It can be viewed via the submission site. Please review carefully, since **no changes or corrections are permitted after the submission deadline.**

Additional Questions? Please contact Michelle Perkins by email at mperkins@amcp.org.