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Dates

Submissions open	12/2/2021
Submissions due	1/6/2022
ePoster notifications of acceptance	2/1/2022 *
Details on creating ePoster available online	3/1/2022 *
ePoster deadline for uploading	4/2/2022 *
Research in Action	5/21/2022 to 5/22/2022
ePoster Meet the Author sessions	5/22/2022 to 5/23/2022
* Tentative dates, subject to change.	

Location

The conference will be held Saturday, May 21, 2022 – Wednesday, May 25, 2022, in Indianapolis, IN. All conference events will take place inside the Indiana Convention Center.

Research Sessions

Researchers may present their research as a 25-minute podium presentation in the Research in Action series. Alternatively, they may present their work as an ePoster, which is a digital poster of their findings.

Submission Deadlines

All submissions to must be submitted **no later than January 6, 2022, at 11:59 pm EST**. Late submissions will not be considered for Research in Action but will be considered for ePosters.

It is strongly recommended that submitting **authors begin the submission process prior to the last day of the deadline**. A word document is available on the AAPA website if you would like to start the process before opening the portal. If you have any questions on any part of the process, contact us at postersession@aapa.org. Allow up to two business days for a response.

It is the responsibility of the submitting author to ensure that all information provided is correct and final. **All information that is submitted must be the final information.**

Eligibility

Research by Clinicians

Research must be about the PA Profession or PA Education or conducted by PAs. Submissions from PAs may be considered for ePosters or Research in Action.

Research by PA Students

Research from PA students will be considered for ePosters only. Student research does not need to be completed prior to submission.

Corporate Research

In 2022, AAPA will accept submissions for ePosters with industry or medical education company involvement or sponsorship. These submissions will be displayed under the heading of "sponsored ePosters." Authors interested in this option should contact the [AAPA Business Development team](#) for more information.

Acceptance

Selection for participation in both the ePoster Sessions and Research in Action will be based on quality of the research, clarity of the abstract, and adherence to the Guidelines.

Registration and Attendance

At least one author is required to register for AAPA 2022 and attend their session. Authors are responsible for all costs associated with registration, travel, lodging, and ePoster creation. We do not have scholarships available at this time.

Conference registration must be completed by April 29, 2022. ePosters and Research in Action authors who have not registered for conference will be excluded from the ePoster Sessions and associated publications. For more information on registration, please visit the [Annual Conference website](#).

Authorship

Research must be about PA Education or the PA Profession or conducted by PAs and/or PA Students.

All listed authors **must be able to claim authorship for the project** as defined by the International Committee of Medical Journal Editors (ICJME).

The **ICMJE recommends** that authorship be based on the following 4 criteria:

1. Substantial contributions to the conception or design of the work; or the acquisition, analysis, or interpretation of data for the work; AND
2. Drafting the work or revising it critically for important intellectual content; AND
3. Final approval of the version to be published; AND
4. Agreement to be accountable for all aspects of the work in ensuring that questions related to the accuracy or integrity of any part of the work are appropriately investigated and resolved.

Only include authors if they meet the above four criteria.

Industry Sponsored Submissions

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Multiple Submissions

Multiple submissions of similar topics from the same researcher are discouraged.

Communications

The corresponding author is responsible for contacting and coordinating with all other authors in their group. AAPA and JAAPA will only have contact with the corresponding author.

The individuals submitting the research are responsible for entering all information correctly, including email addresses, names, and credentials. AAPA is not responsible for misspelled information, and they will not edit any submissions for spelling, grammar, etc.

Please ensure that the corresponding author is willing and able to serve as such.

ePoster Guidelines

ePosters are scheduled on Sunday May 22nd and Monday May 23rd, 2022. Please do not submit a proposal if one author is not able to attend.

Share your expertise by submitting your research. Either as an individual or as part of a group, you can become a recognized expert within the PA profession.

ePoster Display

ePosters will be displayed electronically on a large touchscreen monitor and are available each day of the conference in the ePoster area as well as in the AAPA app.

From June 2022 through May 2023, ePosters will also be available online through the AAPA website.

Poster Awards

JAAPA Student Poster Award

The [JAAPA Student Poster Award](#) furnished by Wolters Kluwer will be awarded to the top three (3) student posters. Each of the winning posters will receive \$500. Anyone who is a PA student for any time between June 2021 and May 2022 are eligible to submit posters as a student and be eligible for the JAAPA Student Poster Award.

APPAP Poster Award

The [APPAP Poster Award](#), furnished by the Association of Postgraduate PA Programs, is given to the top ePoster submitted by a [PA enrolled in a postgraduate program](#) or to a PA student whose ePoster [is focused on postgraduate education](#). The winner receives \$500. Please note that research from PAs in a professional doctorate program do not qualify for this award.

A list of winners is available on the on [the ePosters pages](#).

ePoster Publication in JAAPA

Qualified ePoster abstracts are eligible to be published in JAAPA online and indexed in Ovid. ePosters are selected by the JAAPA editorial staff. AAPA Research team members do not have input into the process other than providing abstracts to their staff. For all questions, please reach out to JAAPA staff directly.

Collections are typically published in December. The [AAPA 2020 collection may be found online](#).



Important Notes for ePoster Submissions

Please note the following presentation information:

The presentation **does not have to include new primary research**.

All research presented **must have clear application** to the PA profession.

All speakers, panelists, workshop assistants, workshop instructors, and workshop chairs who are PAs **must be current members of AAPA** at the time of participation.

Submissions that **consist solely of literature reviews will not be accepted** as ePosters. Summarizing best practices following a review of evidence-based medicine is acceptable however the results must not replicate work found in existing reviews such as Cochrane Reviews or AHRQ guidance.

Research or presentations **previously presented** at other organizations' **meetings are permissible for the ePoster session** but are not eligible for publication in JAAPA.

All submissions must be made by **January 6, 2022, at 11:59 pm**.

One author must attend AAPA 2022. Each author is responsible for their own registration, travel, and other expenses.

All submissions are peer-reviewed. The evaluation process is competitive – less than half of all submissions were accepted for AAPA 2021. If your presentation is selected, you will be informed by early 2022.

Research in Action Guidelines

Share your expertise by submitting your research. Either as an individual or as part of a group, you can become a recognized expert within the PA profession.

AAPA 2022 Research Themes

We are looking for presentation proposals related to the following themes. Topics for consideration include but are not limited to...

Mental Health

Mental health is a crisis in the US. Research may illustrate how are PAs caring for patients' mental health needs or even how are PAs caring for their own mental health needs.

Well-Being and Burnout

Burnout is on the rise among clinicians and clinical students. Research may illustrate novel interventions with regard to burnout and well-being, what institutions are doing to support PAs, or how PAs working in a team-based environment reduce burnout.

COVID-19

We are over 18 months into the COVID-19 pandemic in the US and new variants continue to be identified. Research may illustrate how COVID-19 has impacted PA education and the profession as a whole.



PA Value and Impact

Research in this area may address the role PAs play in providing quality healthcare, improve patient satisfaction, or increase access to care; it may also address public awareness or perceptions of PAs; PA utilization as it relates to the cost effectiveness, or medical liabilities, of healthcare.

Understanding the PA Workforce

Research in this area may address issues of diversity with the profession; PA specialization trends; the ability for PAs to have career flexibility; workforce projections; or how national and state practice barriers are impacting PAs.

PA Role and Practice

Research in this area may address the reach of the PA profession; PAs roles on, as well as the dynamics of, medical teams; innovations into the expanded roles of PAs; and how legislation and systems influence the way PAs practice.

Research in Action is scheduled on Saturday and Sunday, May 21st and 22nd, 2022. Please do not submit a proposal for Research in Action unless an author is able to attend.

Important Notes for Research in Action Submissions

Please note the following presentation information:

The presentation does not have to include new primary research.

If new primary research is featured and the study is ongoing, preliminary results must be included in the proposal. Please indicate that in the proposal as well as the proposed analyses, anticipated findings, and applications for the research.

All research presented **must have clear application** to the PA profession.

All speakers, panelists, workshop assistants, workshop instructors, and workshop chairs who are PAs **must be current members of AAPA** at the time of participation.

Research or presentations **previously presented** at other organizations' meetings **are permissible for Research in Action**.

All submissions must be made by **January 6, 2022, at 11:59 pm**.

All submissions are peer-reviewed. The evaluation process is competitive – less than half of all submissions were accepted for AAPA 2021. If your presentation is selected, you will be informed by early 2022.

AAPA will provide a small honorarium and will provide complementary registration for one presenter per Research in Action session. Each presenter is responsible for their own travel and other expenses.

All coordination of Research in Action sessions **will be done by the AAPA CME team** with support from AAPA Research.

Presentations will be 25 minutes with the last few minutes reserved for question and answers.

Audiences range in size from 15-75.

Overview of Information Needed

No late submissions will be accepted.

The following is a non-exhaustive list of all questions asked. It is designed to allow authors to gather the materials needed prior to submission. For more information, refer to the Research Submission Guidelines.

All submissions

We will be collecting the following information for each author.

- Full name
- Credentials (i.e., MPAS, PA-C)
- Occupation (specify: PA, PA Student, Other)
- Email
- Title
- Department, Organization, City and State of Organization

Note that the following must be **BLINDED**. This means that we should not be able to tell what organization you work for, who you are, who your funder is, etc. If your submission is not blinded, it will not move on to the review process.

- Submission Title (150-character limit)
- Abbreviated Title (30-character limit)
- Background and Purpose or Clinical Importance (100-word limit)
- Description and Methodology (150-word limit)
- Results (150-word limit)
- Discussion and Conclusions (100-word limit)
- Brief description (300-character limit)
- Keywords
- References (for CME submissions, you must include at least one authoritative reference to support your submission)

For all submissions that are considered for CME, please include:

- Learning objectives (1 to 2)
- Importance of topic for PAs

Page 1: Introduction

What is your name and email? *

We need this information in order to send you a reminder to complete your submission in case you need more than one session to complete the submission and to assist if you have issues.

Name:

Email:

Which gallery is this proposal for?*

Please review the poster submission guidelines to ensure that you are submitting your proposal under the correct heading.

If you are working with a medical education firm, are working on a clinical trial for a pharmaceutical company, or your work is sponsored by a pharmaceutical or technology organization, please select sponsored ePosters. Our business development team will be in contact with you when the submission portal closes.

- Clinical Gallery: Original Clinical Research
- Clinical Gallery: Case Study or Clinical Reviews
- Education Gallery
- Workforce Gallery
- Evidence-Based Medicine Gallery
- Sponsored ePosters (Corporate Only)

Which of the following apply to your submission?*

If you are not part of an APPAP approved Fellowship as a participant select "No" for "Research conducted by a PA in an APPAP approved postgraduate training program. This category does not include any work related to a professional doctorate or any other advanced degrees.

If your work does not relate to an APPAP approved Fellowship or one that is in development, select "No" for "Research conducted about postgraduate training program". This category does not include any work related to a professional doctorate or any other advanced degrees.

Options:

- Yes, this applies No, this does not apply

Descriptions:

Research conducted by students

Research conducted by PA in an APPAP-approved postgraduate training program

Encore presentation (presented previously)

Research conducted about postgraduate PA training

Tell us about your APPAP-approved postgraduate training program.*

If you are not part of an APPAP-approved Fellowship as either a participant or a sponsoring institution, please go back and select "No." This category does not include any work related to a professional doctorate or any other advanced degrees.

Tell us more about the sponsoring organization and their relationship to the research. *

Please list all of the previous conferences, meetings, and congresses where this research was presented.*



Page 2: Submission Information

Once you start your submission, you may leave and return to complete it at a later time. We also recommend doing this once within the submission process to get the link that will allow you to edit your submission after the fact.

To do so, please click save at the [top right of the page](#) where you desire to leave off.

[As a reminder, please note that we do not edit your submission for grammar and spelling.](#)

Submission Title.*

Please limit the title to 150 characters or less. Do not use all caps. Use sentence case.

Abbreviated Title.*

Title in 30 characters or less that can be used in publications and signage. Do not use all caps. Use sentence case.

Which of the following is your submission for?*

We will not consider case studies, clinical research, and evidenced based medicine for Research in Action.

- ePoster only
- Research in Action (25-minute podium presentation) only
- ePoster ONLY IF not accepted for Research in Action

Would you like your ePoster abstract considered for publication in JAAPA and indexed in Ovid?

- Yes
- No

Page 3: Authors

How many authors are on this submission?*

You may include up to 8

Please list the authors in the order you would like them to appear.

List their full name, without credentials, as they will appear in all publications.

For example, if you want the authors to appear like this...

John D Doe, Jane R Smith, Susie Q Public,

Author 1: John D Doe

Author 2: Jane R Smith

Author 3: Susie Q Public

The order names are entered below are the order they appear in within all written materials. They cannot be changed once submitted.

[Please pay attention to spelling. Do not use all caps.](#)

Page 4: Author Designations

For each submission, designate the following author attributes, if appropriate.

Which author is the corresponding author?*

Which author is the faculty adviser?*

Which authors will speak at Research in Action or the ePoster Showcase, if accepted?*

Select 1 to 2 for Research in Action and 1 for ePoster Showcase

Which of the authors is in an APPAP-approved postgraduate training program? *



Page 5: Author Descriptives

For each of the authors, provide the following:

What is the occupation of author?*

PA PA Student Physician Other:

When is their anticipated graduation?*(students)

What is their name for correspondence? (Dear ...)?*:

Credentials?*

Title?*

Best email *: (warning: aol.com emails tend to be blocked in spam filters)

Where is the author employed/in school?*

Organization name:

City:

State:

Page 6: Abstract Sections

Your submission will be evaluated on the following:

- Background and Purpose or Clinical Importance
- Description and Methodology-
- Results
- Discussion and Conclusions- Originality and Usefulness

You may also receive additional points if your research

- Addresses the needs of a special population
- Is well written
- Focuses on one of the AAPA National Health Priorities (including diabetes, obesity, veterans' health, opioid epidemic, oral health, and nutrition)
- Provides relevant and adequate references
- Is of high interest to the PA profession

This is the basis for the peer review of your proposal.

Your abstract should be blinded. Please do not include the name of your institution, your name, or any other identifying information. If you do not blind your submission, it will be automatically rejected and not reviewed. You may enter text such as (Redacted) in place of any identifying information.

Submissions should be edited and carefully reviewed prior to submission.

Common reasons proposals are not accepted include:

- Significant typographical or grammatical errors
- Not including enough information in each of the areas for review
- Not being blinded
- Not fitting any of the criteria (i.e., is a literature review)

Background and Purpose or Clinical Importance

(100-word limit)*

You will be scored out of 5 points on this.

Reviewers will consider the following when assessing the merit of your submission.

For case studies and program descriptions: Is background information included in the abstract? Is the information clinically important, relevant, and significant? Is the information presented unique and notable?

For all other submissions: Is background information included in the abstract? Is the purpose/objective clearly stated? Is the scope of the topic too broad or too narrow?

Description and Methodology

(150-word limit)*

You will be scored out of 5 points on this.

Reviewers will consider the following when assessing the merit of your submission.

For case studies: Is the description of the case study clear and understandable? Are the clinical procedures used adequately described? If applicable, are the data collection and experimental technique adequate for the study?

For program descriptions: Is the description of the program clear and understandable? Are all aspects of the program adequately described? If applicable, are the data collection and experimental technique adequate for the study?

For all other submissions: Is the description of the materials and methodology clear and understandable? Are the data collection and experimental techniques adequate for the study? Are the analytical procedures used described? Is the research design appropriate for the data collected and the subject of the study?

Results

(150-word limit)*

You will be scored out of 5 points on this.

Reviewers will consider the following when assessing the merit of your submission.

For case studies: What was the result of the H & P, diagnostics, etc.? Was the diagnosis correct?

For program descriptions: Was the description of the program clear and well thought out?

For all other submissions: Are the results presented in sufficient detail to support the conclusions? Do they follow the data and analysis?

Discussion and Conclusions

(100-word limit)*

You will be scored out of 5 points on this.

Reviewers will consider the following when assessing the merit of your submission.

For case studies: Were the right conclusions drawn?

For program descriptions: Did the program accomplish its purpose?

For all other submissions: Are the conclusions clear and the interpretation sound?

References

You may include up to 5 references. For CME submissions, you must include at least one authoritative reference to support your submission.

Brief description. *

The brief description may appear in the AAPA 2022 materials. This may be a shortened version of the abstract, or a different description more applicable for the conference materials. The description is limited to 300 characters which is about 3 sentences for most people.

Please provide any keywords that describe your proposal.

Please upload your abstract as entered above in the separate sections.

Allowed types: doc, docx, txt. Max file size: 10 MB



Please select the subject area covered in your presentation. *

ALRG-Allergy/Immunology	GU-Genitourinary	PREV-Preventive Medicine
ALTE-Integrative Medicine	HEMO-Hematology/Oncology	PRIM-Primary Care
ANES-Anesthesia	HOSP-Hospital Medicine	PROF-Professional Role/Professional Practice
CCME-Critical Care Medicine	HPOL-Health Policy/ Law/ Legislation/Regulations	PSYC-Psychiatry
CDEV-Career Development	INFD-Infectious Disease/HIV	PUBL-Public Health
COMM-Communication	LABM-Laboratory Medicine	PULM-Pulmonology
CV-Cardiovascular	NEPH-Nephrology	RADI-Radiology
DERM-Dermatology	NEUR-Neurology	REIM-Reimbursement Issues/Business of Medicine
DIVR-Disparities/Diversity	NUTR-Nutrition	RHEU-Rheumatology
EDUC-Education	OBGY-Obstetrics and Gynecology	SUBA-Substance Abuse
EMER-Emergency Medicine	OCCM-Occupational Medicine	SURG-Surgery
ENDO-Endocrinology	OPHT-Ophthalmology	TECH-Technology
ENTH-Ears/Nose/Throat	ORTH-Orthopaedics	TRAU-Trauma
ETHI-Ethics	PAIN-Pain Management/Palliative Medicine	VETS-Veteran's Health
GAST-Gastroenterology	PEDS-Pediatrics	OTH-Other
GENE-Genetics	PMR-Rehabilitation/Physical Medicine	
GERI-Geriatrics		
GLOB-Global Health/Travel Medicine		

I agree, if my submission is accepted, to attend my assigned session. I agree that if I am not present for my session(s), then I will not be eligible for presentations until 2025. *

I agree I do not agree

Page 7: Required Information for JAAPA

Please indicate whether you agree or disagree with the following statement.*

ORIGINALITY: Each author warrants that his or her submission to the Work is original, does not infringe upon, violate, or misappropriate any copyright or other intellectual property rights, or any other proprietary right, contract or other right or interest of any third party, and that he or she has full power to enter into this agreement. Neither this Work nor a similar work has been published nor shall be submitted for publication elsewhere while under consideration by this Publication.

I agree I do not agree

Did the author(s) seek review and approval from an IRB for this research?*

Yes No

Please include your IRB approval number or ethics statement here.*

If you did not seek IRB approval, tell us why you did not.

Page 8: CME

Please provide 1 to 2 learning objectives for your submission. *

Complete the learning objectives below **without** the stem: At the end of this session, the participant should be able to - as this will be included in all of them.

By the end of the session, attendees should be able to:

Why is this topic important for PAs?*

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Frequently Asked Questions

Submissions

Who is eligible for the Student Poster Award? I graduated in December 2021; am I still eligible?

Anyone who is a PA student for any time between June 2021 and May 2022 are eligible to submit posters as a student and be eligible for the JAAPA Student Poster Award.

Can I submit my final poster instead of an abstract?

You must submit the information outlined above for review. AAPA will provide guidance on creating an ePoster prior to AAPA 2022.

I approved and submitted my materials, but now I want to make changes. How do I do that?

All information should be reviewed and finalized before submitting. Changes made to the submission materials after the submission has started the review process may be accepted on a case-by-case basis, as time allows. AAPA Research may be able to send you a link to edit your submission after you receive your notice of submission. All edits must be made by 1/6/2022. AAPA Research may not be able to accommodate requests for edit links after 1/4/2022.

Which submissions are eligible for publication in JAAPA?

Clinical research, case studies, and evidenced-based medicine are not eligible for publication; all other submissions are eligible. **Student research must have a PA on the submission if they want to be considered for publication in JAAPA.** JAAPA does not consider any research that is industry-sponsored as well as those that are encore presentations.

All decisions are made at the discretion of JAAPA and are final. You will hear directly from JAAPA if it is accepted for publication. Please do not reach out to AAPA for information regarding JAAPA publication.

I do not know if my submission was completed. I thought I completed it, but I never received the email. Should I re-submit it?

No. You are welcome to contact us by [email](mailto:postersession@aapa.org) before 1/5/2022. Any incomplete submissions after 1/6/2022 will be considered late and will not be considered for the Poster Session.

Do you accept industry-sponsored ePosters?

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Acceptance

When will I know if my abstract was accepted?

Acceptance status notifications will be emailed to the corresponding author no later than February 15, 2022. In this email, you will find out if your submission was accepted to the ePoster sessions, Research in Action, or both.

You will hear directly from JAAPA if it is accepted for publication. Please do not reach out to AAPA for information regarding JAAPA publication.

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What did the reviewers think of my proposal?

Reviewers often choose to comment on the abstracts they review. If you wish to see the comments, please [reach out to us](#) and we will provide that feedback.

Registration

I am an author on multiple posters. Do I need to have multiple authors registered for AAPA Conference, or does my registration count for all of the posters?

Each poster must have at least one author registered for the Conference. If you are an author on multiple posters, your registration counts for all posters that you are an author of.

ePosters at AAPA 2022

If my proposal is accepted, can I bring a physical poster instead of an electronic poster?

No. All posters must be in electronic format.

How will viewers be able to find my poster at the AAPA Conference?

Attendees will be able to search posters at the ePoster kiosks by gallery, title, author, and keywords. It is very important that you enter keywords when submitting your abstract so interested viewers can find your poster. Once you submit your abstract, you will not be able to add keywords.

Will I be able to present my poster at AAPA Conference?

Each ePoster will be featured in a Meet the Author session. During this session, you will be asked to be present to speak to conference attendees about your research. All Meet the Author Sessions are scheduled Sunday 5/22/2022 and Monday 5/23/2022

I cannot attend AAPA 2022. Can I still have my poster displayed?

No. Just like you would not have a physical poster displayed at a conference for which no author was in attendance, you cannot have your poster displayed if no author is in attendance. [Each poster must have at least one author registered for the Conference.](#)

If you fail to appear at AAPA 2022, we reserve the right to reject future submissions for the next three (3) years.

I cannot attend AAPA 2022. Can I delay my poster until AAPA 2023?

If you have a scheduling conflict, please let us know as soon as possible. We may be able to reserve you a spot the following year. If you have a scheduling conflict and fail to let us know in a timely manner, or you fail to appear at AAPA 2022, we reserve the right to reject future submissions for the next three (3) years.

Can I embed media in my ePoster presentation?

We do not allow media to be embedded within the ePosters at this time.

Can I leave handouts for conference attendees?

You may have handouts available for conference attendees during your Meet the Author session. They will need to be removed at the end of your session.