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This year the Pennsylvania Society of Gastroenterology (PSG) Annual Scientific Meeting promises to be an exciting educational program. We are delighted to announce the inclusion of a Gastroenterology / Hepatology Poster Competition as part of the meeting which will be held at the Radisson Plaza-Warwick Hotel, Philadelphia, PA on September 24-26, 2010. This contest is open to all active adult and pediatric fellows in Pennsylvania Gastroenterology and Hepatology programs, as well as residents in Internal Medicine programs. Any research topic or interesting clinical vignette related to Gastroenterology, Hepatology or Nutrition may be submitted. Only one submission per person is permitted and we encourage you to enter posters from recent national meetings. Registration is free to residents and fellows.

The scientific committee is comprised of Dr. Harvey Lefton, Dr. Joyann Kroser, and me who will determine the winners of this competition. Fellows or residents in programs outside of Philadelphia submitting abstracts may be selected for a travel stipend (in which you do not need to submit receipts for travel reimbursement). Posters will be displayed at the meeting. The winning participants will be recognized in PSG's fall newsletter. PSG will provide a 4'x6' display board, pushpins, and an easel onsite.

First Prize \$750.00  
Second Prize \$500.00  
Third Prize \$250.00

*Authors are responsible for preparing their poster for display and must be available with their poster during the judging period; all breakfast periods and all breaks in order to qualify for the travel stipend and awards.*

Please submit your abstract online at [www.pasg.org](http://www.pasg.org) by June 28, 2010.

We look forward to your participation in the poster competition as well as the meeting itself.

Please do not hesitate to contact our administrative office at 717-558-7750 ext. 1584 if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

David A. Sass, MD

## Instructions for Poster Contest

### Poster Session Information

A Poster Display is designed to permit the author of scientific research to explain and illustrate his/her concept, techniques, and findings in a simple visual manner that will promote understanding of the research. This allows a one-on-one exchange of ideas between the author and interested groups. Posters should be as self-explanatory as possible. Only one submission per person is recommended.

### Poster Elements to Include

**Abstract:** The Abstract should clearly and briefly summarize the hypothesis(es) of the study, the rationale, methods, results, and conclusions. The abstract, prepared in large typescript, should be posted in the upper left corner of the poster space. Abstracts must not exceed one page.

**Introduction or Objectives:** State the hypothesis(es) being tested and briefly present the rationale and significance of the research.

**Methods:** Describe the methods sufficiently so that the viewer can understand what you did. Explain what was measured here and/or in the Results. Define abbreviations.

**Results:** Use graphs, tables, and figures to present the major findings. Present the results of any statistical tests that you used. Disclose any limitations on data, for example, ongoing research, interim analysis, or preliminary data.

**Discussion and/or Conclusions:** Discuss the implications of your results and/or list the major conclusions.

### Poster Presentation

Location: Warwick and Mezzanine Level at Radisson Plaza-Warwick Hotel  
Set-up: Friday, September 24, 7:00 – 10:00 p.m.  
Saturday, September 25, after 6:00 a.m. Posters must be set up by 7:00 am.  
Tear Down: 4:00 pm, Saturday, September 25.  
*\*Posters may be kept in the storage room until the end of the meeting.*  
Supplies: 4'x6' tack board, easel and pushpins will be provided by PSG  
Judging: Judging will be conducted Saturday, September 25<sup>th</sup> at 12:45 p.m.  
Awards Ceremony: Sunday, September 26

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### Presentation Suggestions

1. Place the title and author(s) of the presentation on a sign at the top of your poster space. Block lettering that is at least 1" high is recommended for this area.
2. Block lettering at least ½" high should be used for other parts of your presentation.
3. Use simple charts, graphs, drawings, and pictures for illustrative purposes.
4. If using photographs, a matte finish is recommended to reduce glare.
5. Place each section sequentially on the poster space and use numbers, letters, or arrows to help the viewer to follow the material in the correct order.
6. Captions and labels should be brief and clear.
7. Avoid arty, elaborate, or ornate posters, which detract from the research.
8. Use inexpensive materials.
9. Do not use paint, marker, or sticky tape on the tack board easel surface.
10. Projection equipment may not be utilized.