



OATA Research & Grants Sub-Committee

CALL FOR Research ABSTRACTS

Ohio Athletic Trainers' Association • Annual Meeting and Symposium

Columbus, OH • May 11-12, 2018

Deadline for Abstract Submissions: **March 10, 2018**

The Ohio Athletic Trainers' Association is soliciting abstracts of (1) research (2) clinical case reports (3) Critically Appraised Topics for the **Free Communication Poster AND Platform Sessions** at the Annual Meeting and Symposium. The 2018 OATA Meeting will be at the Embassy Suites, Dublin Ohio, May 11-12. Athletic Trainers and Athletic Training Students are encouraged to submit proposals for the Poster sessions and the Platform sessions. Online submission may be accessed at oata.org. ***Please note that original research and case studies with pending results and conclusions WILL be considered ALSO note that we have added Critically Appraised Topics as a submission type!***

Some abstracts may be selected as a platform presentation at the symposium. Please consider allowing the research and grants subcommittee to review your abstract for consideration as a platform presentation by selecting PLATFORM or BOTH PLATFORM AND POSTER on the submission form.

All accepted case study and original research abstracts will be published in *The Journal of Sports Medicine and Allied Health Sciences!* Certificates of recognition will be awarded in each of the four different categories: Undergraduate Athletic Training Student (research and case report) and Professional (research and case report). Continuing education units (CEUs) will be awarded for each presented abstract. **Primary author must register for the OATA Annual Meeting.**

Original Research: Abstracts must include: (1) Objective, (2) Design and Setting, (3) Participants, (4) Intervention, (5) Main Outcome Measurement, (6) Results, (7) Conclusion and (8) Key Words.

Clinical Case Report: Abstracts must include: (1) Objective, (2) Medical History, (3) Differential Diagnosis, (4) Related Literature, (5) Treatment, (6) Deviation from the Expected / Uniqueness, (7) Conclusions, and (8) Key Words.

Critically Appraised Topics: (1) **Relevant clinical question** (clinical question, in an acceptable format, e.g., PICO, is clearly identified) (2) **Citation** (citation is relevant and recent and cited correctly) (3) **Accurate appraisal** (manuscript(s) is/are critically appraised using acceptable techniques, sample clearly explained) (4) **Relevance** (appraisal addresses relevance to clinical decision-making and current best practices) (5) **Synthesis** (literature presented is fully synthesized with what is already known about the topics) (6) **Findings** (appraisal addresses salient issues and has a succinct summary/conclusion and identifies major/key issues) (7) **Implications** (appraisal is presented in a proper context relative to existing evidence/best practices) (8) **Organization** (appraisal is clearly presented in follows logical progression and includes evidence-based practice language) (9) **Outcomes** (appraisal identifies clinical outcomes, provides rationale for confirming or contradicting existing literature)

Acceptance notification will follow by the end of March.

Specific questions should be directed to:
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