

# CALL FOR CLINICAL CASE STUDY ABSTRACTS

for the  
*OATA Student Symposium*  
*January 14, 2017*

**DEADLINE FOR ABSTRACT SUBMISSION IS DECEMBER 4, 2016**

## Instructions for Abstract Preparation and Submission

The **Clinical Case Study** should present a unique individual athletic injury case of general interest to the OATA Student Symposium attendees. Please read all instructions before preparing and submitting the abstract. Students must be listed as the primary author. All abstracts will undergo blind review. These guidelines are in alignment with NATA REF Free Communications guidelines and standards.

### General Formatting Instructions

1. On the top line, indicate the title of the clinical case study report.
2. On the second line, identify the name of the student and the name of the institution where the student is enrolled.
3. Text of the abstract must be structured (with headings as indicated in the sample below).
4. Abstracts are limited to 600 words. A word count must be included at the bottom of the abstract.
5. Abstracts should not include pictures or tables.

For specific details on formatting (font, spacing, etc) please consult <http://natafoundation.org/wp-content/uploads/Free-Comm-Student-Exchange-Track-Instructions-9-2016.pdf>

### Criteria for Review

1. Must provide "Patient Release of Information Form" (retain in your files until requested)
2. Completeness of requested information and required formatting instructions
3. Overall clarity of writing
4. Originality of clinical case report
5. Case managed within the standard of care

Submissions should be emailed to: [Shari.norte@utoledo.edu](mailto:Shari.norte@utoledo.edu) in PDF format no later than December 4, 2016 at 11:59pm.

Authors will be notified of status no later than January 1, 2017.  
Authors/AT Programs will be responsible for printing of poster.

## Sample Abstract

### **Title of Clinical Case Study**

[3 spaces] Doe JT\*, Public JQ†: \*First Author's Institution Name, †Second Author's Institution Name

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**Background:** Include the individual's age, sex, sport or activity, pertinent aspects of their medical history, a brief history of their complaint and physical findings from the athletic trainer's examination. **Differential Diagnosis:** Include all possible diagnoses suspected based on the history, mechanism of injury, and the initial clinical examination prior to physician evaluation and subsequent diagnostic imaging and laboratory tests. **Treatment:** Include the physician's evaluation and state the results of diagnostic imaging and laboratory results if performed. The final diagnosis of the injury or condition and subsequent treatment and clinical course followed should be clearly detailed. Relevant and unique details should be included, as well as the final outcome of the case. **Uniqueness:** Briefly describe the uniqueness of this case such as its mechanism, incidence rate, evaluate findings, rehabilitation, or predisposing factors. **Conclusions:** Include a concise summary of the case as reported and highlight the case's importance to the athletic training profession and provide the reader with a clinical learning opportunity. **Word Count:** Limited to 600 words including headings.