
Resident & Dental Student Digital Poster Competition Requirements & Guidelines 2026 ACP Annual Session | Nov. 11-14 | Chicago

Overview

The poster presentations will be in electronic format in horizontal orientation and will be displayed on a 55" HD monitor.

The purpose of the poster sessions are to promote the research of prosthodontics and engage residents and predoctoral dental students. The e-poster can be a presentation of research, results, clinical outcomes, laboratory techniques, or topics of general interest to the American College of Prosthodontists' members and guests. It is intended to highlight the scholarly activity of the residents and dental students. Commercial presentations are not appropriate for this session.

Eligibility

1. Resident applicants must be currently enrolled in a 3-4 year advanced training program in prosthodontics which is accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation (CODA). Additionally, graduates who completed a CODA-accredited advanced prosthodontics program within 6 months prior to the Annual Session are also encouraged to participate.

Dental student applicants must be currently enrolled in a DDS/DMD dental program in North America that is accredited by the Commission on Dental Accreditation.

Please note that if you are **selected as a finalist for the John J. Sharry Prosthodontic Research Competition you are not eligible to present in the poster competition. Sharry applicants that are not selected as finalists can participate in the poster competition.*

Only one applicant/presenter per abstract/poster is permitted

- 2. ACP Membership** - Applicants must be a Resident Member or Predoctoral Alliance Affiliate of the ACP. If you are eligible for membership, you must submit your membership application to the ACP Central Office prior to submitting your abstract for review. DDS/DMD students must join as a Predoctoral Alliance Affiliate and residents must join as a Resident Member. See the following link for additional details: <https://www.prosthodontics.org/membership/membership-categories/>
- 3. COI Form** - Each presenter is required to complete a Conflict of Interest (COI) Disclosure Form and Speaker Paperwork upon submission of abstract. If any presenter fails to complete this form they will be disqualified. <https://form.jotform.com/260986423786169>

4. **Meeting Registration** - The presenter is required to register for the meeting prior to being accepted and before the Aug. 24 abstract deadline. No applicants will be accepted until they have registered for the meeting. If you need accommodations, please reach out to jmcdaniel@prosthodontics.org before the abstract submission deadline.
5. **Presentation Time** - The presenter must be present at their poster monitor during their scheduled time to present their poster presentation and to answer questions. Presenters must arrive at their assigned station at least ten minutes before their designated time slot. No schedule changes will be allowed. In the event you miss your scheduled time slot, you will not be permitted to present.
6. **Commercial Content** - Commercial presentations will not be considered. Posters must avoid commercialism, promotion, or advertisement. Posters that are deemed commercial, promotional, or as an advertisement will not be accepted and will be removed from the competition.

Submission Process and Competition

1. Abstract Submission

- a. You will submit your abstract using the online [ePosters system](#) to submit an abstract that is 250 words or less.
- b. Abstracts are due no later than **Aug. 21, 2026**. Abstracts received after this deadline will not be eligible.
- c. Changes in your abstract are acceptable until the deadline.
- d. All abstracts submitted **must have all completed data at time of submission** to be considered for participation in the competition.

2. Acceptance/Confirmation

- a. Accepted abstract submissions will receive a confirmation email with notice on how to submit the electronic poster in PDF format. Applicants should expect further details about the creation and submission of their electronic posters via email.
- b. Conditionally accepted applicants will receive an email requesting the submission of an updated abstract, failure to submit an updated abstract will result in removal from the competition.
- c. Abstract submissions that are not accepted will receive email notification.

3. Poster Submission

- a. Accepted poster presentations should be submitted electronically in PDF format to the online ePoster submission application. Layout must be in landscape format with dimensions of **140 cm (55 in) width x 73 cm (28.5 in) height**. You can use PowerPoint or any compatible software you wish to use to set up the layout of your poster.
- b. Electronic poster submissions must be submitted by **Oct. 9, 2026**. No late submissions will be accepted. If you fail to submit your electronic poster, you will not be scheduled a presentation time.
- c. Graphic material, tables, and illustrations should be as simple as possible. Numbers or arrows to indicate the viewing sequence are of great assistance to viewers. **The faces of subjects should be blacked out for privacy.**

d. The text should be consistent with the latest edition of the Glossary of Prosthodontic Terms.

4. Onsite Presentation/Competition

- a. Participants will be assigned a **15 minute** presentation time. Presenters must arrive at their assigned station at least 10 minutes before their designated time slot. No schedule changes will be allowed. If you miss your time slot, you will not be permitted to present. Competition schedule will be distributed to all participants and Program Directors at least 3 business days before the competition begins and will be found in the event app Whova.
- b. The assigned presentation time slots will be scheduled during one of the following sessions:
 - Wednesday, Nov. 11 from 4:30-6:00 p.m.
 - Thursday, Nov. 12 from 11:45 a.m.-12:45 p.m.
 - Friday, Nov. 13 from 12:15-1:15 p.m.

**If any changes are made to the scheduled poster presentation times, those changes will be communicated at least 24 hours before the beginning of the event.*
- c. Participants are given 15 minutes for their presentation that begins at the start of their assigned time. A timer will be present on screen for the participant to reference. This time is meant for both the presentation and question-and-answer (Q&A) period, it is up to the participant to manage the time of their presentation. The recommended time distribution is 10 minutes for presentation and 5 minutes for Q&A. Please note, the judges are scoring the Q&A segment of the presentation, failure to leave time for this portion will impact the presenters overall score.
- d. Each poster will be evaluated by three judges during the prejudging period before the meeting. A separate judge will evaluate the presentation onsite. Scores from the prejudging portion will account for 40% of the overall score, with the onsite portion accounting for 60% of the overall score.

5. Additional Information

- a. All accepted posters will be presented in an electronic format in the ePoster Gallery, which will be available online and at any monitor. All accepted posters will also be available on the ACP website at the conclusion of the meeting.
- b. Presenters information will be available in the event app Whova and their email addresses will be available for ACP members to contact in order for them to ask further questions or ask for another presentation at an available monitor. Please check your messages on Whova and your email throughout the meeting so you have the opportunity to engage with members who are interested in your presentation.
- c. There will be designated time throughout the meeting where the poster room will be open for public use to take photos and give additional presentations of your poster to interested attendees. The room will be open 30 minutes after the conclusion of the scheduled judged presentation sessions and at various times throughout the event.

Awards

Awards will be presented at the conclusion of the general session on Friday, Nov. 13. The top 3 in each category will be notified through the event app. **If you place in the top 3, you are required to attend the award presentation on the main stage at the end of General Session on Friday** and stay after to take photos with ACP volunteer leaders for promotional purposes.

In addition to receiving a physical award at the event, the top 3 in each category will receive a monetary prize in the form of a check that will be mailed to the winners following the meeting. Please note, international winners may be subject to a 30% tax withholding in accordance with US tax law.

Resident Original Research Competition:

- 1st Place - \$750
- 2nd Place - \$500
- 3rd Place - \$250

Resident Case Presentation Competition:

- 1st Place - \$750
- 2nd Place - \$500
- 3rd Place - \$250

Dental Student Competition:

- 1st Place - \$500
- 2nd Place - \$350
- 3rd Place - \$200

Please note: You will receive an email confirmation from ePosters System automatically. If you do not receive a confirmation, please contact support@scigentech.com. Receipt of the application does not guarantee it will be accepted. Acceptance emails will be sent late August. The ACP will not accept late submissions.

Questions?

Please contact jmcdaniel@prosthodontics.org or by phone at (312) 573-1260 with any questions.