CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

June 21-23, 2019
Minneapolis, Minnesota

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION: November 15, 2018

Stillbirth Summit 2019 is an educational and networking event expected to draw 300 health professionals and advocates from around the world. Presenters will reveal their latest research findings and participate in discussions about what is needed to improve stillbirth prevention and care.

You are invited to share your experiences and research with this passionate assembly!
STILLBIRTH SUMMIT 2019

We are seeking submissions for oral presentations and poster presentations which reflect the key areas of the conference theme:

- Addressing stigma, fear and fatalism in perinatal loss
- Stillbirth risk identification and management
- Opportunities for Improving Care

The audience for Stillbirth Summit 2019 will include physicians, midwives, nurses, social workers, therapists, clergy, sonographers, researchers, program administrators, families, family advocates, and policy experts.

Continuing education credit will be available for appropriate professional audiences.

General Instructions for Submission:

Abstracts for Stillbirth Summit 2019 will be accepted electronically. Submit completed abstracts by email to lindsey@starlegacyfoundation.org.

All submissions will be acknowledged by email. Abstracts will be accepted through November 15, 2018.

Abstracts will be reviewed by the Program Committee based on the following criteria:

- Topic is innovative and relevant to pregnancy loss, stillbirth and neonatal death.
- Submission is directly linked to one or more conference focus areas
- Content is well organized, an appropriate presentation level for the audience, and can be addressed in time allotted
- Presenter has relevant speaking/teaching experience.
- Learning objectives are measurable and achievable.
- There is likely to be significant interest in the session.

Conference planners will not review incomplete, incorrect, or late submissions.

All who submit abstracts will receive email notification of their abstract’s status by January 15, 2019. Once the selection of oral and poster presentations is complete, presenters will be sent a presenter contract which must be completed and returned by February 15, 2019.
Oral Presentations:

Stillbirth Summit 2019 will be held in a roundtable format. The roundtable will consist of 40-minute presentations plus 10 minutes for discussion and questions. To make the roundtable format effective, all presenters are expected to be in attendance for the entire conference and at all presentations. We are unable to accommodate specific requests for presentation scheduling.

Presentation format can be lecture, experiential, demonstration, or panel discussion. You must specify the format in the abstract submission. Standard audiovisual equipment will be available for all oral presentations including laptop, projector, flip chart, and microphone. The cost of any additional/alternative equipment will be the presenter’s responsibility. Oral presentation slides are expected in advance to be preloaded into the A/V equipment.

Conference goals include the publication of a proceedings document. As such, submission of an abstract indicates permission to include the abstract in the publication if selected as an oral presentation. For research presentations, documentation of ethics approval is also required and will be requested within 2 weeks of submission acceptance.

Oral Presentation Submission Instructions

In order to assist in the processing of abstracts and to meet the requirements for awarding continuing education credits, submissions must include the following. Conference planners will not review incomplete, incorrect, or late submissions.

- Title that reflects the topic or content (20 words or less)
- Abstract of the program (maximum 400 words)
- Contact information for the primary author including email address
- Biographical Data form for each speaker
- Paragraph to be used for speaker introduction
- Conference theme addressed by the presentation
- Presentation description, which includes the following:
  - Program format
  - At least two measurable learning objectives
  - Teaching/learning strategy for each objective
  - Target audience who will benefit from attending
  - Presentation level (basic, intermediate, advanced)
  - 2-3 sentence description of the presentation that can be used for marketing
Poster Presentations:

Poster presentations are designed for those projects and interests that can be effectively displayed in a visual format aided by appropriate handouts and personal interaction with the presenter. Presenters are expected to be at their posters and available for questions during specified times. Oral presentation proposals not selected may be invited to present their information via poster format.

Poster topics that relate to the conference theme and goals will be selected; please specify the conference theme that best corresponds to your poster.

Poster Presentation Submission Instructions

In order to assist in the processing of abstracts and to meet the requirements for continuing education credits, submissions must be a 1-page abstract and include the following:

- Title of poster
- Presenter(s) Name(s) and Credentials
- Conference Theme addressed by the presentation
- Objectives
- Background Information/Introduction
- Methods/Results (research posters)
- Conclusions
- 2-3 sentence description of the presentation that can be used for marketing
- Contact Information for the Principle Author including an email address
- Biographical Data form for each poster contributor.

Conference Registration:

Presenters chosen for Oral Presentations will receive a free conference registration, stipend for travel and lodging for the primary presenter. Further details will be provided in the presentation acceptance information.

Presenters chosen for Poster Presentations will receive one half-price conference registration. Those presenting posters must be registered for the conference by May 1, 2019 or acceptance of the poster may be revoked.