

2017 APHL Newborn Screening and Genetic Testing Symposium



September 10-13, 2017 • New Orleans, LA • New Orleans Marriott Hotel • www.aphl.org/nbsgts

Call for Abstracts

Submission Deadline:
March 31, 2017

Acceptance/Rejection Notifications:
May 15, 2017

General Information

1. Please submit your abstract online. See instructions below.
2. All presenters must register for the APHL NBSGTS and assume responsibility for their own transportation, lodging and registration fees. See registration information on the Symposium website below.
3. There is no limit on the number of abstracts that registrants may submit. However, authors must be in attendance for their presentations.
4. Accepted abstracts will be posted on the Symposium website. Editorial changes may be made to accepted abstracts at the discretion of the Planning Committee.
5. Membership in APHL or the International Society of Neonatal Screening (ISNS) is not required for presenting a paper at the Symposium.

Selection Criteria

1. Abstracts must accurately and briefly describe:
 - a) the problem studied and/or objectives;
 - b) methodology;
 - c) significant results, including statistical significance where applicable; and
 - d) conclusions and/or implications.
 2. Abstracts must report the results of original findings pertinent to the subject matter. Papers should report the results of new, applied studies on:
 - Current RUSP Conditions in State NBS Panels (including point-of-care, improved testing methods or follow-up, secondary conditions such as alpha thalassemia)
 - Training/Education/Communication (for providers, legislators, families and general public)
 - Financial, Legal, Ethical, Policy & Social Implications (FLEPSI) (e.g., consent or storage and use of residual bloodspots)
 - Health Information Technology
 - Quality Improvement and Assurance Activities (cut-off management, timeliness, follow-up issues or reducing false negatives and false positives)
 - Laboratory Topics
 - Conditions under Consideration
 - International Perspectives
 - Molecular Technology: Methods & Utility
 - Screening of Special Populations (sick, low-birth weight, pre-term or older babies, out-of-hospital births)
 - Short-term Follow-up (pre diagnosis)
 - Long-term Follow-up (post diagnosis)
 - Emergency Preparedness & Contingency Planning
 - Patient Engagement/Experiences
 - Other
- Submissions of an educational and/or non-technical matter will also be considered.
3. Studies must be based on accepted scientific practices.
 4. The body of work should not have been previously presented or intended for presentation at another scientific meeting. Papers should not appear in print prior to the 2017 APHL NBSGTS.
 5. Results should be summarized. Do not use tables or graphs.

Abstract Submission

Abstracts submitted for the APHL NBSGTS will be evaluated for acceptance by the Planning Committee. Please be sure to follow the format instructions carefully; failure to do so may result in rejection. Information in the abstract must not have been previously published in a copyrighted journal.

Abstract submission must be received no later than March 31, 2017.
Use the online abstract submission form and follow the directions at:

<https://www.conferenceabstracts.com/cfp2/login.asp?EventKey=JIYCFBBT>

You will receive an email confirming receipt of your submission. All correspondence will be made with the person who submits the abstract.

Presentation Formats

Oral

A number of oral presentations will be slotted for each 60 or 90 minute session. Specific length for each presentation will be determined during the review process. LCD projectors will be available. PowerPoint presentations will be required to be loaded onto the conference laptops prior to the session.

Poster

Freestanding horizontal boards will be provided for presenting posters. Poster presentation surface area is 4'h x 8'w (120cm h x 240cm w). Handouts may be used, but audiovisual equipment will not be available.

Roundtable

Informal discussion of a single topic in a room with up to 70 people at round tables. NO audiovisual equipment will be provided except a flip chart. Roundtables will take place at 7:00 am for 60 minutes. Only four will be scheduled.

Note: Presenters should indicate their preference for presentation. The Planning Committee will make the final decision on presentation format based on quality of abstract and the needs of the Symposium.

Contact Information

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Registration

\$500 – Early (until August 7, 2017)
\$550 – Late (after August 7, 2017)
\$150 – Student (current ID required)

Registration is completed online unless you are paying by check or receiving a complimentary registration. In that case you must complete a paper registration form and fax/mail it to APHL. Both ways may be accessed on the Symposium website. All registration fees are payable in US dollars. Name badges, programs and other materials will be distributed on site at the Symposium registration desk.

Hotel

New Orleans Marriott Hotel
555 Canal St.
New Orleans, LA 70130
504.581.1000
www.neworleansmarriott.com

The conference room rate is split evenly between the prevailing 2017 federal per diem (currently \$128) and \$149 (single/double) plus tax. These rates will both be filled on a first come, first served basis.

To make your reservation, call the Marriott at 888.364.1200 or 504.581.1000 and request the group rate for the "APHL Newborn Screening Meeting". You may also make your reservation online (see Symposium website). These rates are valid until August 10, 2017 or until the block is filled.

This room block may fill up early so be sure to reserve as soon as possible. Rooms cancelled less than 72 hours before arrival will be subject to a one night cancellation fee.

Find all meeting details
at www.aphl.org/nbsgts