

## CALL FOR POSTERS

Deadline: January 18, 2019

### Call for Abstracts for Poster Presentations

Poster sessions will address program implementation and technical laboratory aspects. Abstracts will be presented in poster format. We encourage you to submit scientific and research posters.

Suggested topics include (but are not restricted to):

#### Environmental, food and agriculture

- **Agricultural** (pesticide residues, animal feed, labeling accuracy)
- **Veterinary** (veterinary public health, emerging animal and zoonotic diseases, antimicrobial resistance, global surveillance, field and laboratory investigations)
- **Environmental** (biomonitoring and environmental health surveillance, emerging environmental health threats, environmental policy, water security, source tracking, forensic and toxicology testing)
- **Food safety and security**

#### Infectious disease and clinical

- **Diagnostics and emerging technologies** (molecular testing, culture independent diagnostics, method development, genomic epidemiology, bioinformatics)
- **Infectious diseases** (Influenza, HIV, STD, TB, foodborne, respiratory and vector-borne diseases, antimicrobial resistance, vaccine-preventable disease)
- **Newborn screening and genetics** (method development and implementation, screening panel composition, timeliness of screening, policy development)
- **Outbreaks and emerging infections**

#### Cross-cutting laboratory topics

- **Emergency preparedness and response** (continuity of operations, high-consequence pathogens, LRN-B, -C & -R)
- **Role of laboratory data** (policy development, addressing public health disparities, epi/lab collaboration)
- **Informatics** (knowledge management, electronic test ordering and reporting)
- **Quality laboratory systems** (biosafety, chemical safety, quality management, continuing quality improvement, LSIP follow-up, laboratory efficiencies, laboratory systems and standards, certification and accreditation)
- **Partnerships, training and outreach**
- **Workforce development** (training/credentials, innovative recruitment and retention activities, advocating for laboratories, competencies strategies, competencies implementations)
- **Communications and public relations** (communication strategies, social media, legislative relations)
- **Current events, emerging topics**
- **Next generation sequencing** (veterinary, food safety, infectious disease and clinical)

#### Global health

- **Security** (biosafety and biosecurity, strengthening laboratory systems, enhancing testing capacity, strategic planning, one health, international sister laboratory reports)

### Abstract Requirements

All abstract submissions must include the following information: name of presenter, institution, department, mailing address, phone number, email address and suggested topic. The abstract text limit is 2,500 characters including punctuation but not spacing.

**The 2019 Annual Meeting will start on Monday and end on Thursday.**

### About This Conference

The APHL Annual Meeting is a 4-day conference where governmental laboratorians and partners come together to discuss laboratory issues relative to environmental health, emerging infectious diseases, emergency preparedness, informatics, food safety, newborn screening, global health and more.

It consists of a member assembly, keynote sessions, general and breakout sessions, roundtables, posters and exhibits.

Learn more at [www.aphl.org/AM](http://www.aphl.org/AM)

### Guidelines for Poster Presentations

Poster presentations will be limited to a maximum of eight feet wide by four feet high (8'w x 4'h). Posters must be oriented and mounted horizontally.

Posters will be posted Monday-Wednesday, June 3–5. Poster presenters **MUST** be at their posters during their assigned time (one hour) to discuss their work with interested attendees.

Posters should emphasize visual materials: photographs, drawings and graphic representations of statistical data. Text material should be limited to summarizing key points. The use of color is welcome but not essential. It is also recommended that you try to subdivide your presentation (abstract, methods, results, conclusions, etc.). You might also consider bringing a number of copies of a written summary of your poster presentation or related full-length papers. These may be placed on the floor immediately below your poster display for distribution.

### Proposal Submission

The submission process will be done online.

[Submit your poster here](#)

(Follow the directions on the website.)

Abstracts must be received by **Friday, January 18, 2019** to ensure consideration for poster sessions in this meeting. You will be notified by February 22, 2019 on the status of your submission.

Abstracts chosen for poster presentation shall be displayed during the times allotted for poster sessions. The number of posters will be limited.

Direct all questions to Terry Reamer at 240.485.2776 or [terry.reamer@aphl.org](mailto:terry.reamer@aphl.org).

### Poster Award

To encourage excellence in poster presentation, a Best Poster Award for the 2019 APHL Annual Meeting will be presented by the Planning Committee. Results will be announced at the Awards Breakfast on Wednesday.

A certificate and a gift card will be awarded for first place.

Posters will be judged equally on the following criteria:

- Importance and Relevancy
- Broad Interest of the Topic
- Educational Value
- Design and Layout