Aquatic Therapy & Rehab Institute (ATRI)  
2016 Research Forum  
Held in conjunction with the  
2016 ATRI International Aquatic Therapy Symposium  
Sanibel, Florida  
June 21–June 24, 2016  

CALLS FOR  
RESEARCH PRESENTATION ABSTRACTS  
AND  
PRACTICE POSTER ABSTRACTS  

The 2016 Aquatic Therapy & Rehab Institute (ATRI) Research Forum will be held in conjunction with the 2016 ATRI International Aquatic Therapy Symposium. The Research Forum provides an opportunity for researchers and clinicians to disseminate research and clinical case reports relevant to aquatic therapy and rehabilitation. We invite both theoretical and applied research to be presented as an oral or poster presentation. Those abstracts selected by the Committee may be published (ISBN 1-889959-472) if the author desires.

Presentations formats will be sent to the presenters upon acceptance. Oral presentations will be 20 minutes (15 minutes for content and 5 minutes for Q/A). Poster presenters will be required to attend a scheduled poster presentation for 60 minutes.

By submitting an abstract, you are making a commitment to present if your paper is accepted. ATRI uses a blinded peer review process for abstracts.

Accepted presentations (poster or oral) will receive a $200.00 tuition discount.

RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS  

Guidelines  
• Categories include: (1) theoretical, (2) quantitative, (3) qualitative, and case reports/series  
• Research to be published must be completed work that has not been previously presented or published.  
• Authors are urged to explain the theoretical basis, methods, findings, and implications for the use of their research in aquatic therapy/rehab practice.  
• Works in Progress are also allowed. Presenting works in progress will be used as an educational tool for individuals interested in learning how to plan and conduct a research project and allow for feedback from others.

RESEARCH ABSTRACT PREPARATION DETAILS  
A. Use the cover page (Name and I.D. Information on the cover sheet only) included below.  
B. The abstract is limited to 500 words. A reference list (APA 6th edition) is required and may be included on a fourth page if needed.
Research abstracts must include: **Title (bolded), context** (Study rationale providing a reason for the study); **purpose, study design, setting** (the environment in which the study was conducted to help readers understand the transferability of the findings), **participants** (population type, selection process, age, number, sex, etc.), **interventions, data analysis, results, conclusions, implications for practice**.

C. A comparable format is required for conceptual papers.
D. Twelve-point font and one-inch margins on all sides of 8 1/2 by 11” paper.
E. Single space the abstract using Times New Roman font
F. Abstracts should have a clear and descriptive title above the first line of text. No information about the author(s) should appear on the abstract itself. Leave one space between the title and text of the abstract. Do not number pages or use a running header or footer.
G. Use appropriate subheadings and references that conform to APA 6th edition format.
H. An electronic version of the final abstract should be sent as an e-mail attachment in MS Word format.

**DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION: April 25, 2016.**

**EMAIL PROPOSAL WITH THE SUBJECT HEADING “ATRI 2016 RESEARCH PRESENTATION” TO:**
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**PRACTICE POSTER PRESENTATIONS**

ATRI also invites you to submit abstracts (600 word limit) for **Practice Posters**. The purpose of the practice poster presentation is to showcase intervention programs and outcomes. *Take advantage of this opportunity to share your programs with fellow aquatic therapy practitioners!*

The posters will be displayed during the conference and a specific time will be designated to have the presenters discuss programs informally with symposium attendees

All abstracts for practice posters should include:

1. Poster Title (10 word limit),
2. Intervention Program Introduction (brief synopsis of the program including the setting and population served),
3. Client Goals/Outcomes,
4. Assessment Tools/techniques,
5. Process (describe how the program is implemented including frequency and length of sessions),
6. Suggestions for Replication,
7. Presenter(s) and Contact Information (Use attached cover sheet and check Practice Poster).

Note: The first presenter listed will be considered the primary contact person. Abstracts submitted for the “Practice Posters” will be included in the published works as a presentation. Formats for posters will be sent to the presenters upon acceptance.

**EMAIL YOUR PROPOSAL WITH THE SUBJECT HEADING “ATRI PRACTICE POSTER PRESENTATION” TO:**
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COVER PAGE FOR RESEARCH (oral or poster) or PRACTICE (poster only)
PRESENTATION

TO SUBMIT A PROPOSAL complete the following information and send it by the April 25, 2016 deadline. Do not put any other author information on the abstract itself.

Type (check one): Completed research ___ Work in Progress ___ PRACTICE POSTER ___

For Research Presentation (check one): Oral ____________ Poster _______

Author name:_____________ E-mail __________________________ Title: ______________

Affiliation name:__________________________________________

Address:_________________________________________ Phone: ______________

2nd Author name: ___________ E-mail __________________________

Title:________________________ Affiliation:________________________

3rd Author name: ___________ E-mail __________________________

Title:________________________ Affiliation:________________________

TITLE OF RESEARCH: ____________________________________________

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Submission Number _______ Abstract and cover page submitted: ________

References included with abstract: Yes No Notification of Status by e-mail ________