

NORTHEAST OSTEOPATHIC MEDICAL EDUCATION NETWORK

MEMORANDUM

TO: Directors of Osteopathic Medical Education and Program Directors
FROM: Philip A. Heywood, Executive Director
DATE: December 10, 2013
RE: 13th Annual Research and Scholarship Forum – Call for Abstracts

On behalf of the Board of Governors of the Northeast Osteopathic Medical Education Network (NEOMEN) and the Research and Scholarly Activity Committee, I would like to invite all interns, residents, and residency faculties in NEOMEN's AOA-accredited residencies, as well as UNECOM medical students and any osteopathic medical students at NEOMEN residency sites, to participate in the **13th Annual NEOMEN Research and Scholarship Forum**. The forum will be held on the UNECOM campus on **Thursday, May 15, 2014**, in conjunction with the **UNECOM Spring Clerkship Caucus, NEOMEN Annual Spring Meeting, and UNECOM Graduation Activities**.

A poster competition will be held in four categories: Intern/Resident Original Research, Intern/Resident Case Report, Student Original Research, and Student Case Report (OMS III and OMS IV only). Three scholarship non-competitive categories included are (a) Scholarship; (b) Research-In-Progress; and (c) Faculty Original Research. Posters presented in these three categories will not be adjudicated.

Please note that at least one author must accompany each poster. Poster set-up is scheduled for 11:30 a.m. Please arrange the student's, intern's, and/or resident's schedule so he/she is able to arrive at UNECOM by 11:30 a.m. on Thursday, May 15th, to set up his/her poster. Poster display and judging are scheduled from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. with a speaker (CME available) and awards ceremony following.

Poster judging will occur in two sessions—the first session being from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. and the second session being from 1:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. Presenters will be notified of their assigned session at registration. At least one author must stand by the poster during that one-hour session to present his/her study or case during the adjudication. All presenters will have an opportunity to enjoy lunch during the time when they are not required to stand by their posters.

First, second, and third place will be awarded in each of the four competitive categories listed above. The First Authors of those posters receiving the highest scores will be awarded. The names of the winners will be announced at the awards ceremony.

The deadline for submission of abstracts is Monday, March 10, 2014, at 12:00 noon. It is required that the abstracts and Registration Forms be submitted electronically. The Registration Forms are also due no later than March 10, 2014. Presenters will be contacted in April with additional information.

The NEOMEN web site contains a list of names and contact information of research mentors who can provide assistance to participants. Each mentor listed has provided information on his/her research skills and research topics of interest. Participants may access the list of research mentors at <http://www.une.edu/com/opti/>. Also on the web site are samples of well-written

abstracts, which participants may find helpful to review. These can be found at <http://www.une.edu/com/opti/>.

Benefits of participation include scholarly activity, education of attendees, and positive reflection on your institution. In addition, each abstract will be featured in the forum's program and on the NEOMEN web site cited above.

Travel funds are available for UNECOM third- and fourth-year medical students and for any interns and residents presenting posters in the Intern/Resident Original Research and Intern/Resident Case Report categories. **Please note that NEOMEN will make reimbursement of travel expenses to one presenting author per poster only.**

Please post and distribute the attached flyer to all interns, residents, faculty, and osteopathic medical students in clerkships at your site.

Attachments: Flyer
Instructions for Abstract e-Submission
Registration Form