

# MAOA Abstract Instructions

41<sup>st</sup> Annual Meeting | April 10 – 14, 2024  
Hyatt Regency Coconut Point Resort  
Bonita Springs, Florida



## ABSTRACT PREPARATION

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- A “blind” selection process will be used. No identifying features such as names of hospitals, medical schools, clinics, or cities may be listed in the title or text of the abstract. Do **not** include author names. The names of authors and their affiliations (institutions with city/state) will be submitted online when you submit the abstract.
- Papers may be submitted if previously presented at a national/international meeting.  
**No published papers should be submitted.**
- The title should be as brief as possible, but long enough to clearly indicate the nature of the study. Capitalize the first letter of each word.
- Your abstract should be submitted as a Word or iWork Pages document, 400 words or less. Please note that tables and figure captions count toward the 400 maximum word count.

## ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

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**ABSTRACT SUBMISSION DEADLINE | JULY 3, 2023**

## AWARDS

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- **PHYSICIAN IN TRAINING AWARDS** | **Four \$1,000 prizes** each will be awarded to four fellows, residents, or medical students who are judged to have the top-rated papers on the program. Papers are rated on content, timeliness, the hypothesis, material and methods, and results. **The recipient must be the first author on the paper, and the investigation and manuscript completion must occur at a medical facility within the MAOA 20-state area.**  
**The two top Award Winners will have an opportunity to present their papers at the AAOS 2025 Annual Meeting.** MAOA will contact those eligible to submit a manuscript for consideration of one of these awards.
- **POSTER AWARDS** | **Two \$500 prizes** will be awarded to presenters who are judged to have the top-rated posters at the annual meeting.

Please contact the MAOA office ([midamerica@maoa.org](mailto:midamerica@maoa.org)) if you need to withdraw your abstract or have any changes to your submission.

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## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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- Acceptance notices will be sent out by **October 6, 2023**. Confirmation of your presentation at the MAOA 2024 Annual Meeting will be due **November 30, 2023**.
- Each presenter is allowed **one podium** presentations and up to **four poster** presentations. Please consider this when submitting abstracts. If more than one of your abstracts is accepted for presentation from the podium, you will need to name a co-author to present the additional talk(s) or your presentation may be pulled from the program.
- **The maximum number of abstracts you can submit for consideration is six (6).**
- **ALL speakers/presenters are required to pay the meeting registration fee and are responsible for their expenses in attending the annual meeting.** Please discuss this with your program chair before submitting your abstract.
- Large database studies are becoming increasingly popular submissions. We request that you submit these types of studies only if the work addresses identifying/modifying risk factors or variables which can impact clinical practice.
- The Program Committee will meet in September. The author denoted as presenter will be notified in October on whether their abstract has been selected for a presentation.
- Computer presentation will be available for all speakers. If accepted, your talk should be in PowerPoint format for the annual meeting.
- Once accepted, any presentation cancellation after January 2, 2024 may result in a penalty for the author and all co-authors. They will be unable to submit an abstract for the next two (2) MAOA Annual Meetings

## RESIDENTS AND MEDICAL STUDENTS

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The MAOA Board of Directors requires that a staff consultant who co-authors your paper be present at the annual meeting to respond to any questions that arise during discussion. Please notify your staff consultant of this prior to submission of your abstract.

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