



### Call for Poster Abstracts

Academics, researchers, industry, government agencies, health care professionals, patient organizations and any other interested parties that have conducted rare disease or orphan product research studies or public health projects are invited to submit a poster abstract to the **National Organization for Rare Disorders'** Rare Disease and Orphan Products Breakthrough Summit taking place **October 8-9, 2020** in Washington, D.C. at the Marriott Wardman Park. The four (4) themes listed below are the suggested specific topic areas that the planning committee would like to see posters focus on. Please use these as a guide as you develop your poster abstract.

**Deadline: Poster abstracts must be received by February 14, 2020**

**Notification of Selected Abstracts: April 15, 2020**

### Onsite Requirements:

Display boards are freestanding with a surface that allows push pins to secure the display of the posters. Presenters must prepare a poster to fit a 4' x 8' poster board (four feet high by eight feet wide).

### Themes

#### 1. **Innovative Research** in Rare Diseases and Orphan Products

Abstracts may cover any type of research conducted including — clinical, patient focused, innovation (technological or otherwise), or economic and policy research as it relates to health and social issues. Also included in this theme are collaborative initiatives and centers of excellence that involve ground-breaking strategies or projects that could be useful to other groups, organizations, patients, government, academics or professionals in the rare disease and orphan product community.

#### 2. **Medical Education Advancement** in Rare Diseases and Orphan Products

Abstracts should cover public health awareness and education of healthcare professionals (HCPs); information exchange or training that leads to advancements in diagnosis; or advancements and innovative models in medical education training.

#### 3. **Patient Community Building in Rare Diseases**

Abstracts in this theme should cover topics such as advancements in patient education; novel ways to increase engagement in the rare disease community; or successful models in increasing patient advocacy and awareness by leveraging technology and social media.

#### 4. **Other Topics**

These abstracts should still relate to the overall topic of rare diseases and orphan products, but do not fit within the themes previously listed.

## Eligibility

You may submit poster abstracts under one of the two categories below:

1. Student (graduate or undergraduate)
2. Professional (post-doctoral scholars, medical residents/fellows/professionals, patient advocates/advocacy groups, government agencies and manufacturers.)

*All poster presentations must be noncommercial and without inclusion of brand names or logos with the exceptions of university logos.*

## Student Eligibility

- Individuals submitting an abstract under the student category must be an undergraduate or graduate student enrolled in a Bachelor's, Master's, PharmD or PhD (or equivalent) academic program at an accredited academic institution. *Individuals must be able to provide documentation of this enrollment if required.*
- The submitted research must have been conducted at an academic institution.
- Individuals who completed a degree during the 2019 academic year may submit a student poster only if they are able to provide documentation that they were an eligible student (according to the guidelines) at the time of research.
- Note that all student scholarship recipients are required to submit a poster. If you are unable to, please email [education@rarediseases.org](mailto:education@rarediseases.org).

## Additional Information

- These abstracts should be original in research, include appropriate empirical evidence and not have been widely presented or circulated prior to the NORD conference.
- The top three posters selected by the review committee will be asked to provide a one-page summary of their work for distribution to all summit attendees and will receive one complimentary meeting registration to attend the conference in full.
- Poster authors are encouraged to purchase a registration pass to attend the Summit. During networking receptions and meal periods attendees are encouraged to visit the posters. Authors who register to attend the Summit find it beneficial to stand by their posters during these times for informal presentations and questions.
- The organization, printing and cost of shipping all materials to the conference will be the sole responsibility of the presenter.

## General Requirements

1. All abstracts must be submitted by **February 14, 2020** via the poster submission form
2. Posters should include data (preliminary and pilot data will be accepted) for consideration.

**Abstracts Must be submitted through this form. No other forms of submission will be accepted.  
Include the Following Sections at the Time of Submission:**