Call for Abstracts for Poster Session

Dialog with agricultural risk managers and ag industry leaders!

Theme: Practical Applications to Safeguard Workers in Agriculture

Goals of Poster Session
• Provide a forum for conversation and collaboration among researchers, educators, risk managers, and agriculture industry leaders.
• Share information on evidence-based best safety and health practices for various agricultural work settings and exposures, with application for wide-scale industry adoption.
• Challenge attendees to identify agricultural safety and health topics warranting further research (or program evaluation) based upon needs identified by farm organizations, producers, employers, farm workers, and industry representatives.

Inclusion Criteria
Abstract submission is open to the public, with the understanding that the Summit audience includes agribusiness representatives, farm organization leaders, state and national public officials, news media, and agricultural safety and health professionals. Priority will be given to abstracts that focus on practices and interventions for production agriculture to improve the health and safety of those engaged in agricultural work, including owner/operators, farm families, hired workers, on-farm service providers, and others who live on or visit farms. Specific areas of interest include:
• Evidence-based best agricultural safety and health practices
• Interventions for vulnerable populations working in agriculture
• Model programs to protect working and non-working children in agriculture
• Sustaining an adequate, safe workforce for the growing agriculture industry
• Emerging issues warranting worker safety and health attention (e.g. biofuels, on-farm processing, utility vehicles, zoonotic disease)
• Fostering current and future agricultural safety and health professionals.

Review Criteria
Abstracts will be evaluated by a committee per the criteria: a) likelihood of generating dialog and collaboration among researchers, program implementers and industry partners; and b) relevance to current and emerging priorities in production agriculture.

Abstract submission deadline: Wednesday, December 13, 2017
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Abstract submissions are due Wednesday, December 13, 2017. Authors will be notified of abstract acceptance no later than December 20, 2017.

Abstract Format
Abstracts will have a limit of 350 words. Each abstract will include title, author(s) and affiliation(s) and keywords. Additional sections should include purpose, methods (if applicable), findings, translation to practical application by agricultural industry. Formatting requirements: Microsoft Word document, 1-inch margins, Arial font, 12-point font.

Submission Instructions
Submissions must be emailed as a Microsoft Word document to Josie Rudolphi at rudolphi.josie@marshfieldresearch.org. Please save this file as (presenter’s last name)-abstract.doc or .docx.

Exclusion
Individuals and companies wishing to promote products and services should refer to the Summit website for instructions on reserving space for exhibitors and vendors.

Notes
- Posters previously displayed at other conferences are acceptable.
- Posters will be on display throughout the conference event. Poster presenters are expected to attend the Thursday evening Poster Reception to engage in dialog with conference attendees.
- ASHCA is not able to provide scholarship funds or special registration fees for poster presenters.

More Information
For questions contact Josie Rudolphi by email at rudolphi.josie@marshfieldresearch.org, or by phone at 715-389-3794. For more information on the 2018 North American Agricultural Safety Summit or to register for the conference visit the website at www.ashca.org.

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