



Guidelines for Abstract Submission
6th Annual National Proton Conference
March 25th to March 28th, 2018
Scottsdale, Arizona

The National Association for Proton Therapy is an independent, non-profit, professional organization that is the voice of the proton community by advocating for the advancement and accessibility of proton therapy for cancer patients. Each year NAPT hosts an annual conference to bring the proton community together to enhance understanding of the clinical benefits of proton therapy and improve access to those who benefit from this advanced cancer treatment. The 2018 NPC conference planning committee welcomes your abstracts for oral presentations and panel discussions for the 2018 conference.

Guidelines of submission of abstracts

Abstracts should be sent in Word or PDF format to Cassidy Dowling at cdowling@proton-therapy.org. Presentations should focus on the goals and objectives of the 2018 National Proton Conference.

When submitting your abstract, the following information must be included for consideration:

1. Title of the presentation
2. Abstract summary (300 to 1500 words)
3. Any theoretical, methodological, practice, or research focus
4. Objectives of the presentation
5. Outline of the presentation
6. Supporting references
7. Curriculum vitae for each presenter

General Information for Presentations

- Presentations will be accepted in time slots of either 30 or 60 minutes. Some presentations may be combined for a panel discussion.
- Abstract due date is **Friday September 1st, 2017**
- Presenters will be notified by September 25th if their abstract has been selected
- Presenters assume all costs related to travel, accommodations and other expenses related to their presentation
- A conflict of interest form must be completed upon acceptance of abstract
- Questions directed to cdowling@proton-therapy.org

Submission Topic Suggestions

NAPT is open to submissions of topics beyond those included here:

Funding for Proton Centers

Reimbursement and Insurance

Alternative Payment Models

Medical Guidelines for coverage of proton therapy

Challenges in Operations

Staffing Issues for Proton Centers

Vendor Relationships

Maintaining Technology

Advances in Proton Therapy Technology

Ensuring Access to Care for Patients

Marketing and Public Relations for Proton Centers

Patient Programs that Enhance Public Relations

Best Practices Caring for Out of Town Patients

Managing Patient Care when Proton Therapy is denied by Insurance

Future of Proton Therapy

Developing a new Proton Center