

March 2010

To: **Resident and Student Members (only)**
Tennessee Academy of Family Physicians

SUBJECT: CALL FOR RESEARCH PAPERS (Firm Deadline of July 15, 2010)

The Research Committee of the Tennessee Academy of Family Physicians (TAFP) is pleased to announce the Call for Research Papers for the 62nd Annual Scientific Assembly to be held at the Gatlinburg Convention Center the week of October 26-29, 2010.

Three abstracts will be selected by the TAFP Research Committee from those abstracts received for presentation at the TAFP's 2010 Annual Scientific Assembly. Those selected will have the opportunity to present their research paper to approximately 225 physicians from throughout the mid-south who attend the TAFP's Annual Scientific Assembly. Those selected will have up to two (2) night's lodging and car mileage paid.

Only TAFP Resident and Student members are eligible to participate in the TAFP Research Paper Competition. If you are involved in research or other scholarly activities, the TAFP Research Committee would very much like to have you participate in this Research Paper Competition to let others know of your work.

To submit a Research Paper, please complete and return the attached 'Application'. ***Students & Residents Please Note – You MUST include YOUR personal contact information including current address, phone number and email for your Paper to be accepted for review by the Research Committee.** (Attention Academic Faculty: If you would like to be copied on responses sent to your student and/or resident, please include your name, address and email on the form where indicated.)

On behalf of the Tennessee Academy of Family Physicians, we hope you will be able to attend the TAFP Annual Meeting in October, and that you will consider submitting a Research Paper for consideration by the TAFP Research Committee. Guidelines for the Research Paper Competition are included with this mailing.

If you have questions or desire additional information, please do not hesitate to contact Cathy Dyer at the TAFP headquarters office at 1-800-897-5949.

Remember, the FIRM deadline for receipt of your Research Abstract is July 15, 2010.

Sincerely,

Mike Hartsell, M.D., Chair
TAFP Research Committee

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RESEARCH PAPER COMPETITION GUIDELINES
Tennessee Academy of Family Physicians

1) Submit each Abstract **BY JULY 15, 2010** (*firm deadline*) to -

Cathy Dyer, Executive Director, Tennessee Academy of Family Physicians
by mail: **500 Wilson Pike Circle, Suite 212, Brentwood, TN 37027**
or, by fax: **(615) 370-5199**
or, by email: **tnafp@bellsouth.net**

2) **Only Tennessee AFP medical student members and family medicine resident members whose Academy membership is in good standing are eligible to participate.**

Note: Residents and Students submitting papers MUST include their OWN PERSONAL contact information (mailing address, phone, email) for their paper to be considered by the Research Committee.

(Attention Academic Faculty: If you would like to be copied on responses sent to your student and/or resident, please include your name, address and email on the form where indicated.)

3) Participants may submit more than one (1) Abstract for consideration, however, a maximum of one (1) Abstract per person can be selected. A total of three (3) will be selected for presentation at the TAFP Annual Assembly.

4) The first author listed on an Abstract which is selected will be invited to the TAFP Annual Assembly for presentation. If unable to attend, an additional author meeting the TAFP criteria will be invited to attend in the order in which authors are listed on the Abstract.

5) Those persons who are selected by the Research Committee, will be notified by the first of September so arrangements may be made for their attendance and presentation of their Research Paper at the TAFP Annual Assembly. The TAFP Executive Director will make hotel arrangements for presenters selected.

6) Those persons selected must send a clear, clean copy of their research paper to the TAFP office no later than September 15, 2010, and must agree to be in attendance at the TAFP scientific sessions on the designated day and at the designated time for their presentation.

7) Persons submitting Abstracts for consideration by the TAFP Research Committee, must have previously presented his/her Research Paper to a group of his/her peers.

8) Each individual who's Abstract is selected will receive the following:

- *Up to Two (2) Night's Lodging*
- *Round Trip Car Mileage to Gatlinburg*