

T.H.I.N.K Academy: Call for Abstracts

The 3rd annual T.H.I.N.K. Academy conference will be held at Project 658 on February 22, 2019 and will bring together multiple disciplines invested in decreasing health disparities and improving cancer health equity in our communities. The event will include expert speakers across a wide array of disciplines, health education exhibits, and a poster presentation session. The poster presentation session will highlight research, community programs, and prevention efforts that identify and address health disparities being conducted throughout the local Charlotte area, regionally and nationally. We are seeking innovation, those who are forging a new path with creative programming aimed at maximizing cancer health equity.

Individual Abstracts General Submission Information

- **Submission Deadline:** Abstract submission will open **November 1, 2018** and close **December 15, 2018** at 11:59 pm EST.
- **Abstract Notification:** Outstanding abstracts will be highlighted during the conference and **cash prizes will be awarded to the top-ranked poster presentations.** \$500 for first place, \$250 for second place, \$100 for third place.
- The top 10 submissions will be offered space to present their poster and share during networking hour. **Winners and selected presenters will be notified by January 31, 2019.**
- All participants must register to attend the conference.

Guidelines to Submit an Abstract

Abstracts of 300 words or less that describe health disparities research and practice may be submitted using the abstract submission form. Preferred abstracts will relate to the full range of cancer health disparities and approaches to improve health equity including:

- Methods to improve equity in healthcare
- Cancer prevention programming
- Cancer screening programs
- Survivorship programs targeting vulnerable populations
- Nutritional interventions for disparate populations
- Palliative care improving pain/symptom management in vulnerable populations
- Clinical trials focused on access
- Other topics deemed appropriate

Abstract Selection Criteria

Abstracts will be reviewed and scored based on the following submission criteria, with preference being given to those that:

1. Show relevance to elimination of cancer health disparities
2. Focus on the conference themes and efforts to improve cancer health equity
3. Utilize rigorous and relevant research methods
4. Present high-quality data to support findings
5. Adequately demonstrate how the study will advance the field

Contact Information

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