



**Palliative and End of Life Care RIG:
CALL FOR COMPETITIVE SYMPOSIUM ABSTRACTS**

SYMPOSIUM TITLE: Innovative Models and Adaptive Strategies in Palliative and End-of-Life Care for Patients and Families

DEADLINE TO SUBMIT ABSTRACTS ONLINE: July 20, 2020 by 11:59 pm EDT

The Palliative and End-of-Life Care RIG is pleased to offer a call for abstracts for our proposed Competitive Symposium titled, "Innovative Models and Adaptive Strategies in Palliative and End-of-Life Care for Patients and Families."

Appropriate topics for this symposium include but are not limited to research related to:

- Improving overall quality of life for palliative and End-of-Life (EOL) patients and families using innovative models of care delivery. Appropriate research includes, but is not limited to, novel modalities and strategies for supporting patients and families in enhancing quality of life, managing symptoms, addressing spiritual/psychosocial aspects of palliative and EOL care, supporting caregivers, and adaptations related to COVID-19. Appropriate topics may also include novel approaches to palliative and EOL care which incorporate technologies (telehealth, social media, etc.).
- Novel research methods and tools for conducting studies related to palliative and EOL care. Research may include innovative approaches to recruitment and retention, new frontiers in pain and symptom management, and adaptive strategies for conducting high-quality palliative and EOL studies within the context of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Abstracts should be submitted by the primary author via email to the RIG Co-Chairs, Maryellen Potts (mpotts3@kumc.edu) and Megan Miller (flanig21@msu.edu). Abstracts are to be limited to 350 words and must include the following: Purpose/Background, Framework, Methods, Results, and Conclusions. Submissions will be accepted through July 20, 2020, 11:59 pm EDT.

Abstracts will be scored by the RIG's Review Committee according to relevance, significance, innovation, and fit with the proposed theme. One (1) Competitive Symposium of the top 3-5 abstracts will be submitted to the Program Planning Committee for a blind peer review. The primary author will be notified of their inclusion status for the submitted symposium around July 30, 2020 and. If included in the submitted symposium, notification of the final acceptance status of the symposium will be sent by September 9, 2020.

PLEASE NOTE: Authors of abstracts that are not selected may submit to the General Call for Abstracts, which is open through October 22, 2020.

*Information for Abstract submission is available on the MNRS website.