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"Quality health care through standards in training and service delivery" – A right of all women'

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Guideline for Submission of Abstracts

Calling for Abstracts

FINAL DATE FOR ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

15th July 2024

SUBMIT YOUR ABSTRACTS

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Calling for Abstracts

The Sri Lanka College of Obstetricians & Gynaecologists invites you to submit abstracts for the 57th ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC CONGRESS OF THE SLCOG.

- **All submissions should be made electronically through the online abstract submission system (<https://www.congress.slkog.lk/abstract2024>) in Microsoft Word format (.doc / .docx).**
- All research studies should have obtained ethics approval. All clinical trials should be registered with a Clinical Trials Registry. The authors should provide the letter of approval from an accepted Ethics Review Committee (ERC) for research studies and registration number for clinical trials, upon request.
- All the authors should declare any conflict of interest in their presentation at the congress.
- The SLCOG considers plagiarism as serious professional misconduct. All abstracts are screened for plagiarism and when identified, the abstract and any other abstracts submitted by the same author will be rejected.
- The SLCOG reserves the right to make alterations and to edit the contents of the abstract to improve the presentation.

Instructions for online abstract submission

The deadline to submit abstracts is **15th July 2024, 23:59 Hour Sri Lankan time.**

1) Abstract Structure

- The title of the paper has a maximum word limit of 12 words and must be brief, informative and concise. The SLCOG reserves the right to modify the title where necessary.
- The author(s), please enter your name and all authors in the order and the form you wish them to appear in the final congress programme. The author(s) name(s) should be in the format of the last name followed by a comma and then initial(s). Please DO NOT use prefixes such as Mr./Dr./Prof. (eg.:- Perera, AB)
- The body of the abstract MUST NOT exceed 400 words.
- The abstract must be structured as follows:
 - Introduction
 - Objectives – State the primary objective of the paper and the major hypothesis tested or research question posed.
 - Design – Describe the design of the study and the rationale for the procedures adopted.
 - Methods – Describe how participants were selected and the number of participants (if documentary data used, state how

these were selected), materials employed (if appropriate), methods of data collection and analysis.

- Results – Include numerical and/or textual data. This should be kept to a minimal and should not include tables and figures. For qualitative analyses briefly describe your findings. (e.g. identified themes, categories)
- Conclusions – State the conclusions that can be drawn from the study (including for future research, practice, policy and/or theory)
- For a case report submission, please include the following headings
 - Objectives – State why this case is reported (what is special about it)
 - Case report – Briefly discuss the case
 - Discussion – Briefly discuss the implications of this case on practice
 - Conclusion – state the conclusion that can be drawn from the study (including for the future research, practice, policy and/or theory)
- Please insert the relevant theme in the cage given in the abstract submission form.
- If you wish to include key words and references; they must be included in the body of your text and within the 400 word count.
- Abbreviations should be spelt out, in parenthesis, in their first use in the abstract.

2) Please upload the abstract as a word document formatted according to the following specifications through the link provided in the online submission form

- **Font:** Times New Roman, font-size: 12, single line spacing
- **Title: BOLD CAPITAL LETTERS**
- **Authors:** Last name followed by a comma and then initials, with the presenting author underlined. A superscript number should be placed after each name to refer to the respective affiliations. Affiliations must be listed below by the authors.
- **The name of the chief investigator (first author) should be written first followed by the other authors.**
- **The body of the abstract:** Structured with the subheadings: Introduction, Objectives, Design, Method, Results, and Conclusion.
- **The body of the case report:** Structured with the subheadings: Objectives, Case report, Discussion and Conclusion.

E.g.:- Perera, AB¹, De Silva, CD²

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²Castle Street Hospital for Women, Colombo, Sri Lanka

In this example, Perera AB is the chief investigator (first author) and De Silva CD is the presenting author.

3) Important:

- Abstracts not conforming to the above instructions will be rejected. Accepted abstracts will be published in the book of proceedings.
- Please follow the instructions stipulated in the submission portal when submitting abstracts.
- Upload two copies of the abstract as instructed in the portal.
 - **One abstract with the full text**
 - **One abstract without the authors' names and affiliations for review purposes.**
- Those abstracts that are accepted but not physically presented (oral or poster) at the congress will not be included in the book of proceedings.
- A panel of reviewers will review abstracts anonymously and the decision of the Abstract Committee will be final. Successful applicants will be notified via email by 15th August 2024.
- The presenting author is required to register for the sessions upon acceptance of the abstract.
- Papers submitted for "**Oral presentation only**" may not be accepted as oral presentations due to the limited number of available time slots but will be offered the option to present as a poster presentation.

4) Benefits:

- The Winner, 1st runner up and the 2nd runner up will be offered with awards and certificates during the valedictory session.

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Abstract acceptance notification: 15th August 2024