



## FAQ

### Where do I submit my abstract?

Please use our online submission page, found [here](#).

### When is the deadline?

Abstracts must be submitted by close of business on December 11, 2017 (this is an extension of the original due date of November 28). No late breakers will be accepted.

### Where/When is ISPE Mid-Year 2018?

The ISPE 2018 Mid-Year Meeting, will be held at the Sheraton Centre Toronto Hotel April 21-24.

### What type of research is accepted?

We are accepting abstracts for oral/poster presentations in the area of pharmacoepidemiology and drug safety. Suggested categories for abstract submission are:

- Benefit-Risk Assessment, Management, Minimization, Communication, and Evaluation
- Biologics/Biosimilars
- Disease Epidemiology/Burden of disease
- Drug Effectiveness
- Drug Safety in Pregnancy and Lactation
- Drug Utilization Research
- Geriatric Pharmacoepidemiology
- Health Economics / Outcomes Research
- Informatics
- Medical Devices
- Methods in Pharmacoepidemiology
- Molecular epidemiology/pharmacogenetics
- Pediatric Pharmacoepidemiology
- Pharmacovigilance

Safety End Points  
Vaccines

**Abstracts should meet the following criteria:**

1. Results may not have been published (except in abstract form) either online or in printed full form before September 30, 2017.
2. Results have not been presented at a previous ISPE meeting

**Can I submit a work-in-progress?**

Yes, you can submit a work-in-progress. However, as places for presentation at the Mid-Year meeting are very competitive and limited, it is encouraged that abstracts contain final results.

**How are abstracts evaluated?**

1. Reviewers are blinded to the identity and institution of authors
2. Reviewers are asked to abstain from reviewing an abstract which they believe may be a conflict of interest
3. Each abstract will be sent to 4 Reviewers, and will be graded from 1(best) to 10 (worst)
4. An average score will be calculated for each abstract, and the top-scoring abstracts will be selected for oral/poster presentation
5. Final decisions will be made in February 2018.

**Are scholarships available?**

Yes!

1. Students and recent graduates (within 3 years of graduating from PhD program) can apply for an ISPE scholarship (expense reimbursement) to assist in attending the meeting. There are a limited number of scholarships available.
2. You can indicate your interest in the abstract submission form, and you should give an estimate of your required costs (this may be only partially covered).
3. Scholarships will be awarded based on a combination of the following criteria;
  - a. Submission of abstract, selection of abstract for oral/poster, awarded score of the abstract
  - b. Geographic location (consideration of low/middle incomes)
  - c. ISPE award history (to encourage new ISPE attendees)
4. Expect to receive notification by February 2018

**MEETING SNEAK-PEAK!**

**Sunday, April 22**

Pre-conference courses (\$50/course)

- Intro to Pharmacoepidemiology
- Advanced Pharmacoepidemiology (Self-controlled Crossover Observational Pharmacoepidemiologic Study Designs)

Monday, April 23

- M. Alan Brookhart - Data Visualization
- Robert Platt - Marginal Structural Models
- Linda Levesque - Quasi-Experimental Study Designs

Student Meet & Greet

Tuesday, April 24

- Pharmacogenomics focus... including cool case examples in oncology & panel discussions