

AIIMSonians of America Announcement for Abstracts and Scholarships

Dear AIIMSonians in Training (medical students, research trainees, residents, and fellows),

We invite you to submit an abstract for presentation at the 41st Annual AIIMSonians of America meeting from August 8-11, 2024 in Springfield, Illinois.

Goal: To give young AIIMSonians the opportunity to attend the convention, showcase their work and interact with other AIIMSonians.

Submission guidelines: Please include the following documents as a single PDF file.

1. **Cover letter:** Stating your name, year of joining MBBS, current position and affiliation, whether you have received an AOA scholarship(s) before (please mention year if yes), and prior presentation (see below).
2. **Abstract:** Structure as Title, authors, and then the Body (Background, Methods, Results, Conclusions). Total word count for the Body is 350 words. No references are needed. Figures or tables are not required for the abstract and can be included in the poster.

How to submit: Please email the submission file to Dr. Ruchika Goel at ruchikagoel1@gmail.com and CC to Dr. Preet Paul Singh at preetpaul.s@gmail.com with the subject line "AOA abstract submission", no later than 11:59 pm CT on June 1st, 2024.

Prior presentation or publication: Work that has been presented at prior conferences or published in manuscript form is eligible. Please disclose where the work has been submitted/ presented/ published in your cover letter.

Role of the CME committee: The abstracts will be evaluated by the CME committee based on merit and whether a scholarship has been awarded previously. Notifications of decisions will be emailed to applicants shortly after the submission deadline. Successful applicants will be informed if their work has been accepted for an oral or poster presentation.

Award: Each AOA scholar will receive a merit certificate, registration fee and a financial award of \$500 to help with travel and lodging expenses. The presenting attendee must register for the Convention on the AOA website and but the registration fee will be refunded to the applicant on August 10th, 2024 at the Gala. Registration fees for accompanying family members will not be refunded.

Best suited for: Those who are doing rotations in the US, writing USMLE exams, doing masters degrees and are prospective applicants for upcoming matches. Those already in residency and fellowship can also apply to boost their chances for future academic appointments.

We sincerely thank the AIIMSonians who have already donated to AOA. We appreciate the philanthropic and fund-raising efforts from AIIMSonians and the generous support from the AOA executive committee.

For senior AIIMSonians, please consider donating to the AOA resident account when registering for the meeting. We appreciate your contributions in advance.

Sincerely,

Ruchika Goel, MBBS, 1999 batch, Chair CME Committee
Preet Paul Singh, MBBS, 2001 batch, Co-Chair CME Committee

Sunil Agarwal, MBBS, 1999 batch, Chair, AOA 2024 Convention