Call for Symposia
2021 Biennial Pediatric Sleep Medicine Virtual Meeting | Friday, December 3rd

The 2021 Pediatric Sleep Medicine Virtual Meeting will include three submitted symposia. Symposia may be clinically-focused or research based, and a combination of both is encouraged. Each symposium will be allotted a 75-minute time slot. The symposia will take place on Friday, December 3rd.

The number of speakers is limited to 3, beyond the chairperson. A fourth person may be added if the chair intends only to provide a brief introduction. The symposium should allow 20 minutes for each presentation, and 15 minutes for Q&A.

If your symposium is accepted, all speakers are required to register for and attend the virtual Pediatric Sleep Medicine Conference. Registration is the responsibility of the speakers.

Symposia proposals must be submitted online. Because you will need to complete the submission in one sitting, please prepare the following before submitting your proposal:

1. Overall title for the symposium and titles for each talk
2. Full names and institution affiliation of the chair person and co-presenters
3. Learning objectives (provide 2-3 learning objectives)
4. Scientific and/or clinical content to be presented (500-word maximum), including how the talks will be integrated, the specific contributions of each speaker, and how the content will advance clinical care, research, or both.

All speakers must submit a disclosure form through the separate Faculty Disclosure Portal.

We are particularly interested in symposia that include at least one speaker who is early career (e.g. trainee or within 5 years from termination of sleep fellowship or other terminal training program), and symposia that focus on the COVID-19 pandemic and its aftermath. While proposals on all relevant pediatric sleep topics are encouraged, topic areas of particular interest include:

1. Challenges and solutions to pediatric sleep research during the COVID-19 pandemic
2. Impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on sleep and biological rhythms in children and adolescents
3. Social determinants of healthy sleep and sleep disorders, including research on family sleep beliefs, attitudes, knowledge, and behaviors, and on sleep health inequities
4. Sleep and circadian science that examines environmental factors, health disparities, underserved children, or hard-to-reach pediatric populations.
5. Advances in assessment approaches, such as home sleep apnea tests, actigraphy, or wearables

Submissions are due by 5:00 pm ET on June 15, 2021. Notifications about symposia will be sent by June 30, 2021

Click here to submit your proposal or paste this link into your browser:
https://sju.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_1NwEX774zYWSD1A

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