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MEMORANDUM

To: Internal Medicine and Subspecialty Students, Residents and Fellows

From: Brian J. Donadio, FACOI, Executive Director

Subj: Poster Contest Cash Awards!

Date: March 9, 2017

The A.C.O.I. is pleased to announce the 2017 awards for Original Research Abstract and Case Presentation Posters prepared by students, residents, or fellows in internal medicine and its subspecialties.

Cash awards of **\$1,500, \$1,000, and \$500** will be made for the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place original research abstract posters as judged at the **2017 Convention, October 11-15, 2017 in Washington, DC**. In addition, the top three finishers will present their work at a plenary session of the Convention and receive reimbursement of their travel costs (1-2 nights at hotel and coach air travel), if not paid by your training program.

Abstract subjects are to be related to internal medicine and its subspecialties. There are no restrictions as to content, and the entry may represent, but is not limited to: original research, a retrospective analysis, a prospective analysis, etc.

A second category for competition will include an interesting case or several cases analyzed with a review of the literature and supporting or refuting contemporary attitudes in literature. There will be separate cash awards of **\$500, \$250 and \$100** for the top three case presentation posters. These awards will be presented during the plenary session mentioned above. Funding constraints do not allow reimbursement for travel for the top three finishers in the case presentation competition.

Instructions for the Submission of Abstracts are included with this mailing. Please clearly specify in which category (original research or case presentations) you are submitting your entry. **The deadline for submission by email to katie@acoi.org is July 14, 2017. If submitting by mail, your application must be postmarked by July 14, 2017 and should be sent to 11400 Rockville Pike #801, Rockville, MD 20852.**

I would strongly encourage you to enter this contest. This is a great way to begin disseminating your finding. In addition to the judging in Washington, DC, a first-rate convention is planned. Attendance at the convention meets the Basic Standards requirement that all residents attend at least one educational meeting during the course of their training program.

Please feel free to call the A.C.O.I. at any time you may need assistance.

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cc: ACOI Research Committee; Board of Directors; Council on Education and Evaluation