

Abstract Submission FAQs

General Submission Questions

- What is the deadline for abstract submission? For those submitting an abstract who would like to be ***considered for oral presentations*** at the 2026 MDA Clinical & Scientific Conference, highest priority will be given to those who submit abstracts on or before **November 14, 2025**. The final deadline for oral presentation consideration and all other abstracts is December 31, 2025. All abstracts automatically qualify for the poster session.
- Is there a word limit for the abstract? The abstract body should not exceed **300 words (approx. 2500 characters including spaces)**
- Can I submit more than one abstract? Yes, you can submit an unlimited quantity
- What format should the abstract follow (e.g., structured vs. unstructured)? Structured
- Can I edit my abstract after submission? Yes, see Content section for more information

Content & Formatting

- How do I edit an abstract and how long do I have to edit? Requests to correct minor typographical errors must be submitted **at least 3 (three) weeks before the abstract library goes live**. Approximately February 23, 2026 via email to mdaconference2026@syneoshealth.com
- Can QR codes be added to the poster? Yes
- **Please note:** Submissions are not reviewed for content, accuracy, or typographical errors. It is the responsibility of the submitter to ensure all information is complete and correct

Author & Presenter Info

- How do I change the author once abstract is submitted? Requests to correct author details must be submitted **at least 3 (three) weeks before the abstract library goes live**. Approximately February 23, 2026 via email to mdaconference2026@syneoshealth.com.
 - Can someone else present my poster if I'm unable to attend? Yes, we ask that you notify MDA (mdaconference2026@syneoshealth.com) if the presenting author is different from the first author.
 - Do all co-authors need to register for the conference? Only authors that are attending the conference are required to register for the conference in order to have access to the Exhibit Hall.
 - When will poster numbers be provided? Poster numbers will be sent out in mid-February as long as the first author or presenting author of the poster is registered for the conference
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Poster Presentation Logistics

- What are the poster size and format requirements? Posters must not exceed 36" wide by 48" high (portrait orientation). MDA will provide information on how to order a printed version through FedEx at the Hilton Orlando in mid-January.
 - Will I have a specific time to stand by my poster? **In-Person** - posters will be viewable in the conference exhibit hall on the evenings of Sunday, March 8 through the evening of Tuesday, March 10. Dedicated poster session times will be as follows*:
 - **Sunday, March 8, 2026** - 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM ET
 - **Monday, March 9, 2026** - 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM ET
 - **Tuesday, March 10, 2026** - 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM ET
 - Is there a digital/e-poster option? Yes, the e-poster will be available on the conference virtual platform
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Eligibility & Acceptance

- When will I be notified if my abstract is accepted? All abstracts submitted within the designated categories will be accepted for presentation in our combined in-person and virtual poster hall. Submitters will begin receiving acceptance notifications for their abstracts for **ORAL** presentations from approximately December 1, 2025, to December 15, 2025.
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Permissions & Disclosures

- Do I need IRB approval or patient consent? Posters do not need to be IRB approved. If the study is IRB approved, please include a link or QR to access the IRB information. Patient consent must be obtained if the poster includes any identifiable patient images.
- Can I submit an abstract that's been presented elsewhere? Encores are permitted if:
 - (i) copyright requirements from the initial conference are respected; and
 - (ii) prior presentations are fully disclosed.