



**ATRA Annual Conference  
September 14-17, 2019**

**CALL FOR RESEARCH INSTITUTE PRESENTERS: ORAL & POSTER  
PRESENTATIONS**

**Proposal Deadline: 11:59pm EST March 30, 2019**

**ATRA invites RT practitioners, educators and students to  
submit an abstract for the 2019 ATRA Research Institute!**

Proposals for *Oral Presentations* should represent completed research projects, or research with enough waves of analyzed data to confidently present current significance of findings and anticipated trajectories.

Proposals for the *Poster Sessions* can be submitted in one of three categories: (1) Research; (2) Research to Practice; or (3) Practice.

**Please Note the Following:**

- **Content of all proposals must be applicable to recreational therapy practice. All proposals should include a section header dedicated to implications for recreational therapy practice.**
- Speaker discounts will be awarded to first authors of all proposals accepted to the Research Institute.
- All proposals must be submitted through proposal space at the following link: <https://proposalspace.com/>. When submitting, please remember the following:
- If you are submitting multiple proposals (in the same or separate categories), please be sure that the findings are distinct enough to warrant separate submissions.
- You must complete a new submission through Proposal Space for each presentation and/or poster you would like to be reviewed.
- You may not submit the same proposal to be considered as a presentation and a poster.
- You should only submit a proposal if you, or one of the authors, is planning to attend the ATRA conference to present your findings.
- Late submissions will not be accepted unless ATRA extends the deadline for everyone.
- Proposals that are not formatted correctly (see requirements below and on submission cover page) will not be reviewed.

## Formatting Requirements

- Oral Presentation and Poster Proposals may not exceed one-page of text (Times New Roman, 12 pt font, single spaced, 1” margins), excluding Tables and References. Tables and Figures may not exceed one-page in length.
- A title (left justified and bold) should appear at the top of the page. Author name(s), credentials, and affiliations should appear on a single line, immediately following the title.
- Oral presentation proposals must use standard abstract headers (e.g., Introduction, Methods, Results). Poster proposals must use abstract headers reflective of the criteria required of the poster category you are submitting to (e.g., Intro, Methods, Results should be used for Research posters; Program overview, Program goals, Assessment should be used for Practice posters).
- Note: A cover page will be required and should be submitted with your proposal. Please log in to Proposal Space for more information about what this involves. APA (6<sup>th</sup> ed.) format is required of all proposals, including citations, references, tables and figures. Proposals that do not include a cover page and/or are not formatted correctly will not be reviewed.

	<b>Category 1 Research Presentation</b>	<b>Category 2 Research Poster</b>	<b>Category 3 Research to Practice Poster</b>	<b>Category 4 Practice Poster</b>
<b>Description</b>	Primary research that is concluded, or has enough waves of analyzed data to confidently present current significance of findings and anticipated trajectories.	Primary research that is recently concluded, or in progress.  Note: Research in progress proposals must include preliminary data to be considered for acceptance.	Secondary research, that involve: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meta-analysis/synthesis project</li> <li>• Evidence-based projects</li> <li>• Theory or Conceptual-based projects</li> </ul> Note: Literature reviews will not be considered for acceptance	Highlights a RT program or in-service training that has been piloted/completed at least once, and (a) produces client outcomes, and/or (b) contributes to “best practices” where clients benefit
<b>Required Proposal Components</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Introduction/Lit review</li> <li>o Methods (i.e., sample, intervention, data collection and analysis)</li> <li>o Results</li> <li>o Discussion</li> <li>o Implications for RT</li> <li>o In-text Citations &amp; References</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Introduction/Lit review</li> <li>o Methods (i.e., sample, intervention, data collection and analysis)</li> <li>o Results (note: preliminary results may be submitted if finalized results are not available)</li> <li>o Discussion</li> <li>o Implications for RT</li> <li>o In-text Citations &amp; References</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o If meta-analysis/synthesis: Inclusion criteria (e.g., search terms, number of articles included)</li> <li>o If theory-based project: Explanation of conceptual/theoretical framework</li> <li>o If meta-analysis/synthesis or evidence-based project: Summary of current evidence and/or research findings</li> <li>o All projects: Application and translation of research/concept/theory in RT practice</li> <li>o In-text Citations &amp; References</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Program overview (i.e., population, setting, content and frequency/duration of program, staffing, equipment/resources)</li> <li>o Program goals</li> <li>o Assessment processes</li> <li>o Program evaluation and outcomes</li> <li>o Lessons learned and/or suggestions for replication specific to RT</li> <li>o In-text Citations &amp; References</li> </ul>
<b>Examples</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Qualitative, quantitative or mixed methods research study</li> <li>o Effects of xyz intervention on xyz outcome in xyz population</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Qualitative, quantitative or mixed methods research study</li> <li>o Effects of xyz intervention on xyz outcome in xyz population</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Knowledge translation plan</li> <li>o Meta-analysis or meta-synthesis</li> <li>o Conceptual paper in which theory is applied to a current trend/issue</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Piloting a specific intervention</li> <li>o Program protocols</li> <li>o Piloting of in-service staff training curriculum</li> <li>o Piloting of Assessment or Evaluation process</li> </ul>

### Not sure which category to submit to? Have questions about the submission process?

Be on the lookout for a Research Institute Zoominar in February 2019 that will address these questions!

For questions and/or clarifications about submissions to the research institute and poster session, please send all correspondence through our centralized email [researchinstitute@atra-online.org](mailto:researchinstitute@atra-online.org), and include the words “Oral Presentation” or “Poster Session” in the subject line.