

## P.S.R.T. POSTER COMPETITION- (2026)

### Purpose:

The P.S.R.T. supports and encourages students and technologists to engage in research, which expands their knowledge within the Radiology Profession. The Poster Presentation Competition provides an opportunity for the radiologic technology student(s) and certified radiologic technologist(s) to become actively involved in conducting and presenting that research.

### I. Pre-Registration

1. Pre-registration is required to be considered for the competition.  
**Deadline: March 9, 2026**
2. The number of students per poster is limited to two.
3. Complete the **PSRT Poster Competition registration form online prior to March 9, 2026.**
4. A poster entered in the competition must be an original project and cannot have received a grade for another class or previously presented.
5. A poster entered in the competition must not have been entered in any other competition.

### II. On-site Registration

1. Upon arrival, students and technologists must register their entry presenting a completed *Poster Competition Registration* form.
2. An assigned number is to be attached to the poster for blind judging. The number may not be assigned by anyone judging the posters. **The poster and documents may not bear the name of the student(s) or technologist(s) prior to judging.**
3. Categories:
  - a. Entry Level:
    - i. Students in their first or second year of a hospital-based radiologic technology program
    - ii. Students in an A.S. degree program
    - iii. Freshmen or sophomores in a B.S. degree program.
  - b. Upper Level:
    - i. Students in their junior or senior year of a B.S. degree program, or graduates
    - ii. Registered radiologic technologists

\* An abstract is a summary of the topic and limited to 150-250 words, 12-point font, 1.5" margins, single spaced.

### II. Poster Criteria

#### A. Subject Matter

1. Poster display subject matter will be chosen by the participant and must relate to the Radiologic Sciences/Healthcare.

2. The topic may be presented through text, supplemented by charts, descriptive material, technical factors, photographs, etc., deemed necessary. All materials must be contained within the allotted space defined in section C.1. below.
3. Poster displays should demonstrate originality of subject matter, general interest and value to technologists from both practical and educational standpoints and should display technical excellence.
4. Poster displays should not show images or markings that could identify the patient, institution, department or participant(s) submitting the poster.
5. Poster displays should not contain excessive descriptive explanation --- A well-presented display requires minimum explanation and uses correct grammar, punctuation, spelling, etc. The display should speak for itself. It must be legible and clearly organized.

## B. Research

1. A minimum of 5 sources from radiography-related journals, books or websites is required. Radiography related websites must be from credible sources (org., edu., gov.), and websites are limited to 3 for poster content. (Websites used for images on the poster do NOT count as the 3 for the poster content. They must be clearly delineated as websites used for poster images and not poster content.)
2. Sources must be no older than 5 years.
3. Sources and citations for the content and the reference page for student entries must meet the respective program's requirement.

## C. Mechanics

1. The display can either be a trifold corrugated presentation board with a header (both any color) 48" wide X 36" high or a digitally printed poster not larger than 2' X 3'.
  - a. The poster display must be contained on one side of a presentation board or in the space allotted for the digitally printed poster. No additional space will be available.
  - b. Posters must be able to be placed upright on a table if it is a trifold corrugated presentation board. If it is a digitally printed poster, it will either be displayed on a presentation board (which the presenter must supply) or it will be displayed on a wall or hanging device.
  - c. The use of viewboxes is not permitted.
  - d. Content may be displayed in power point format on the poster.
  - e. Original radiographs are not acceptable. Photographs of radiographs may be used with all personal information removed from the image.
  - f. The poster must contain a header with the project title.
2. Abstract and reference page
  - a. Shall be in a format acceptable to the competitor(s)'s program.
  - b. A minimum of ten (10) copies of the Reference Page and Abstract shall be placed with the poster during set-up.
3. **The poster and documents (abstracts & reference pages) may not identify the competitors until after judging.**

4. Poster must be in place by **4 PM** of the first conference day and remain until the end of the conference.

#### **IV. Judging**

1. Posters will be judged by impartial individuals approved by the P.S.R.T. officers using a standardized grading rubric. Judging will begin during the first evening of the conference.
2. In the event of a tie, scores in individual categories will be compared as identified on the grading rubric.
3. **Posters not conforming to specifications noted above will be disqualified.**

#### **V. Awards**

1. Eligibility: Participants in the competition must attend both days of the state meeting and the business meeting to be considered for monetary prizes.
2. Monetary prizes and certificates will be awarded for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> places for each level. For group entries, the award and certificate will be shared by the group, and **all participants must be present**. If participants are not present the prize will be given to the next qualified entry.

#### **VI. Committee**

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