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Clinical Emerging Leader Award Competition ***Supported by the Medical Nutrition Council***

Awards Program Outline

The purpose of the Clinical Emerging Leaders Award Competition is to promote interest in clinical and human nutrition among persons who are still in training in graduate programs. Eligible candidates must be registered graduate students or medical trainees who have not yet received a doctoral research degree prior to the abstract deadline. Clinical degrees such as M.D., D.D.S., or D.V.M. are not limiting. The Clinical Emerging Leader must be the first author on the abstract and must have been a major contributor in the planning or conduct of the research being reported. Both the Clinical Emerging Leader and the sponsor **MUST** be members of ASN. A mentor may sponsor no more than three Clinical Emerging Leaders.

Abstracts of papers prepared for this competition should be electronically submitted to **EB 2012 by November 8, 2011.**

APPLICANT REQUIREMENTS:

- Applicants must be ASN members.
- Applicants must be Graduate Students

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS:

- Abstracts to be considered for the **Clinical Emerging Leader Award Competition** must be submitted for programming at the ASN Scientific Sessions and Annual Meeting at Experimental Biology 2012. The abstract submission deadline is November 8, 2011.
- At the time of submission of your abstract, you will be prompted to identify your status. You will need to indicate that you are a GRADUATE STUDENT, submitting your abstract to a “Nutrition” topic category (5XXX-ASN). You will then be able to select from the ASN awards box for either: The Graduate Student Research Award Competition or the Clinical Emerging Leader Award Competition.
- **You may only choose ONE student competition.** The MIRA submission site will prompt you for the remaining eligibility criteria. It will be necessary to include the name, email address, and university affiliation of your sponsor; that you are doing graduate work in nutrition and will not have received a doctoral research degree prior to November 8, 2011.

- In addition, the submission site will ask you to remove all funding information and all other identifying data. Simply stated, your abstract submitted to the competition shall just have a title and the abstract body and nothing else. The rest of the required information will be collected and stored on the site. Again, to be eligible for this competition abstracts must be submitted to a topic category identified by “Nutrition” in the topic category list.

SUBMISSION EVALUATION:

Select members of the ASN Medical Nutrition Council will review the abstracts, without knowing the names of the authors, sponsors, or institutions.

The review committee will select five abstracts to be presented twice, once in an oral or poster session (as part of the main EB 2012 programming) and then in the special oral competition session on Saturday, April 21, 2012. The five finalists will be asked to **electronically submit (to mholt@nutrition.org)** manuscripts (similar to the talks to be presented) **by February 15, 2012.**

AWARDS:

- Each of the five finalists will receive \$750 to defray travel expenses and an engraved certificate.
- The overall winner of the competition, to be decided after the Clinical Emerging Leader Award Competition oral session at EB 2012 will receive an additional \$500 cash award supported by the ASN Medical Nutrition Education Fund.

QUESTIONS:

- Email: mholt@nutrition.org