

Merit Annual Residents Competition: Presentation Guidelines

The Merit Annual Residents Competition starts at **9:00am**, participants should be available thirty (30) minutes before the start time. Each presentation will last for duration of fifteen minutes; ten (10) minutes presentation and five (5) minutes discussion. Owing to the time limitation, it warrants each presentation to follow strict criteria:

I. Presentation Format and Timing

Each session is strictly allocated for a total of 15 minutes:

- **Presentation:** 10 minutes.
- **Discussion & Q&A:** 5 minutes.

II. Case Presentation Criteria

- **Pre-Approval:** All case reports or research must be approved by the respective Scientific Committee followed by the Merit Awards Organizing Committee.
- **Residency Scope:** Submissions must involve cases or research managed by the residents during their current residency program.
- **Slide Limitation:** Presentations are restricted to a maximum of **15 slides**, excluding the title slide.
- **Content Focus:** Slides should contain only essential, informative data directly related to the primary topic.
- **Branding & Logos:** To maintain neutrality and professional branding, do not include hospital or department icons. Only the **SCFHS**, **Riyadh Second Health Cluster**, and **Event Logos** are permitted.
- **Official Template:** Usage of the designated **Merit Annual Residents Awards template** is mandatory.

III. Technical Requirements

Text and Typography

- **Font Styles:** Use professional, clear fonts such as Arial, Calibri, Cambria, Times New Roman, or Verdana.
- **The "Rule of 6":** To ensure readability, limit slides to a maximum of 6 lines (or bullets) per slide and 6 words per line.
- **Content Density:** Use outlines and keywords rather than complete sentences.
- **Font Size:** Minimum **20 points** for body text and **32 points** for titles.

Visuals and Animation

- **Purposeful Animation:** Use animations only to emphasize critical points or convey complex concepts. Avoid excessive effects that may distract from the subject matter.
- **Clinical Imagery:** "A picture is worth a thousand words." Incorporate high-quality clinical photographs to illustrate the case effectively, prioritizing visual evidence over dense text.

IV. References and Citations

All academic sources must be acknowledged in one of the following formats:

- **Footnotes:** Cite resources directly on the relevant slide using APA style.
- **Reference List:** Provide a comprehensive list of references on the final slide.
- **Digital Integration:** Include hyperlinks to authoritative websites or full-text articles.
- **Evidence-Based Context:** Where applicable, include results from at least one relevant research article with a direct link to the full text.

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IV. Submission & Final Deadlines

- **Deadline:** Submit the final PowerPoint presentation via the upload link provided no later than the established deadline. This allows the committee sufficient time for technical testing.
- **Finality of Submission:** The Merit Committee **will not edit** any submitted materials.
- **Revision Policy:** No revisions will be accepted after the deadline, and no edits are possible on the day of the ceremony.
- **Disqualification:** Any incomplete submissions or those failing to meet mandatory metadata requirements will be automatically disqualified.