# 2015 APHL ANNUAL MEETING

and ninth government environmental laboratory conference

May 18–21, 2015 • Indianapolis Indiana Convention Center and Westin Indianapolis Hotel



## **CALL FOR POSTERS**

Poster sessions will address program implementation and technical laboratory aspects. Abstracts will be presented in poster format. We encourage you to submitt scientific and research posters.

**Call for Abstracts for Poster Presentations** 

Suggested topics include (but are not restricted to):

Agriculture sector public health programs Biomonitoring Certification and accreditation Climate change Communication and outreach about labs Culture independent diagnostics Emergency preparedness and response **Emerging contaminants Emerging infections** Emerging technology Enteric diseases Environmental health Food safety Global health Healthcare reform Hot topics

Infectious diseases Informatics Knowledge management Laboratory efficiencies Laboratory research topics Laboratory systems and standards LSIP follow-up Method development Molecular testing Nanotechnology Newborn screening and genetics One health **Partnerships** Public health policy Quality improvement in labs Workforce development

#### **Guidelines for Poster Presentations**

Poster presentations will be limited to a maximum of eight feet wide by four feet high (8'w x 4'h). Posters must be oriented and mounted horizontally.

Other

Posters will be posted Monday–Wednesday, May 18–20. Poster presenters MUST be at their posters during their assigned time (one hour) to discuss their work with interested attendees.

Posters should emphasize visual materials: photographs, drawings and graphic representations of statistical data. Text material should be limited to summarizing key points. The use of color is welcome but not essential. It is also recommended that you try to subdivide your presentation (abstract, methods, results, conclusions, etc.). You might also consider bringing a number of copies of a written summary of your poster presentation or related full-length papers. These may be placed on the floor immediately below your poster display for distribution.

### **Abstract Requirements**

All abstract submissions must include the following information, not to exceed 2,000 words: name of presenter, institution, department, mailing address, phone number, email address and suggested topic.

The APHL Annual Meeting is a 4-day conference where governmental laboratorians and partners come together to discuss laboratory issues relative to environmental health, emerging infectious diseases, emergency preparedness, informatics, food safety, newborn screening, global health and more.

Deadline: January 16, 2015

It consists of a member assembly, keynote sessions, general and breakout sessions, roundtables, posters and exhibits.

Learn more at: www.aphl.org/conferences/annualmeeting

#### **Proposal Submission**

**About This Conference** 

The submission process has been simplified this year and is now done online. Submit your proposal at

https://aphl.confex.com/aphl/2015am/cfp.cgi. (Follow the directions on the website.)

**Abstracts must be received by Friday, January 16, 2015** to ensure consideration for poster sessions in this meeting. You will be notified by February 20, 2015 on the status of your submission.

Abstracts chosen for poster presentation shall be displayed during the times allotted for poster sessions. The number of posters will be limited.

Direct all questions to Terry Reamer at 240.485.2776 or terry.reamer@aphl.org.

#### **Poster Award**

To encourage excellence in poster presentation, a Best Poster Award for the 2015 APHL Annual Meeting will be presented by the Planning Committee. Results will be announced at the Awards Breakfast on Wednesday.

A certificate and a gift card will be awarded for first place.

Posters will be judged equally on the following criteria:

- · Importance and Relevancy
- Broad Interest of the Topic
- Educational Value
- Design and Layout

