

Abstract submission guidelines

* Three types of abstracts will be accepted:
	+ **1. Best practices** which should include: purpose or aim of project, design of study, setting/utilization framework, steps and strategies, results and evaluation and outcomes.
	+ **2. Quantitative or qualitative research** which should include: research questions or purpose of study, theoretical or conceptual framework, method including: design, setting, sample procedure, instruments and data analysis, and major findings, conclusions and implications of study.
	+ **3. Case Studies:** Unusual trauma case studies will be reviewed on a case by case basis for acceptance.
* Selected abstract submissions will be expected to submit a poster for the Annual Pediatric Trauma Conference. The Pediatric Trauma Conference will be held on June 3, 2025 at Sheraton Hotel, 3200 Boardwalk Dr., Ann Arbor MI.
* Oral presentation of the poster is considered a requirement of submission. Author is expected to present material during designated times.
* Posters should be oriented horizontally and may measure a maximum of 3 feet in height and 4 feet in length. Exceptions must be approved in advance.
* Work that has been previously presented at local, national or international meetings will be considered for presentation.
* The submission deadline is April 15, 2025. The committee will notify the submitting author of acceptance by May 13, 2025.
* The winning poster will be selected at the Annual Michigan Pediatric Trauma Conference. An author from the winning poster for **Best Practices** or **Quantitative or qualitative research** will be expected to speak about 10 minutes during the conference, highlighting the significance of the research / performance improvement project. The first author of the winning abstract will receive a free conference fee to the 2026 Pediatric Trauma Conference.
* A winning case study will also be selected. The winning **case study** poster presentation will receive a free conference fee to the 2026 Pediatric Trauma Conference.
* The first ten abstracts selected for poster presentation at the conference will receive one free conference fee to the 2025 Pediatric Trauma Conference (entries selected may include submissions for best practices, quantitative/qualitative research or case studies).
* Abstracts may only be submitted electronically to Lisa Vitale at LVITALE2@dmc.org. All aspects of trauma care in children and young adults will be considered.
* Acceptance of an entry does not include conference registration fees (beyond one free registration for first ten selected entries), transportation or lodging.
* Please submit any questions electronically to LVITALE2@dmc.org.