



TO: PTCTC Members

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RE: 2026 PTCTC Educational Meeting at ASPHO Conference – Call for Abstracts

The Pediatric Transplantation and Cellular Therapy Consortium invites the submission of abstracts to be presented at the 13th Annual PTCTC Educational Meeting held in Conjunction with ASPHO Conference on **Tuesday, April 28, 2026, in Minneapolis, MN.**

Abstract submissions are due by **Sunday January 11, 2026.**

Why submit an abstract?

- All selected abstracts will be published in *Pediatric Blood & Cancer*.
- A poster session will be held during the PTCTC meeting. The authors of all accepted abstracts will be invited to participate in the poster session.
- The PTCTC will award the **top clinical, basic science, translational science, and nurse/advanced practice provider/allied health professional abstracts.**
 - The top abstracts will be presented during the meeting's oral abstract session.
 - The top abstract awardees will receive a travel stipend and complimentary conference registration.

Meeting agenda is forthcoming.

****Please read the following information before submitting your proposal. ****

General Information / PTCTC Abstracts – FORMAT MUST BE FOLLOWED FOR PUBLICATION

- Body of Abstracts are limited to 400 words. ****No figures, tables/charts or illustrations can be included in the abstract****
- Authors must include the following headings in the body of the abstract:
 - Background
 - Objective
 - Design/Method
 - Results
 - Conclusion
 - Authors must indicate the institution, city, state and country where the research

was done.

- It is essential that each author select a theme (topic) for the abstract being submitted. This information is used for the appropriate grouping of papers and posters at the Conference as well as for publication in *Pediatric Blood & Cancer*.
 - Allogeneic HSCT: e.g. donor Sources and Selection, GVH, Malignant Diseases, Nonmalignant Diseases, Reduction of Relapse.
 - Autologous HSCT: e.g. Stem Cell Collection, Treatment of Malignant or Non-Malignant Diseases, Reduction of Relapse.
 - Transplantation Biology: e.g. HLA, GVHD, Immunology, Stem Cells.
 - Cellular Therapies: e.g. CART/Adoptive Transfer of Viral-Specific or Tumor-Specific Cells, Cell/Graft Expansion, Selection and Manipulation.
 - Gene Therapy: e.g. Autologous or Allogeneic Cell Genetic Alterations for Malignant or Non-Malignant Diseases.
 - Supportive Care: e.g. Infectious Diseases, VOD/SOS, TA-TMA, Noninfectious Complications of HSCT.
 - Disease-Specific, Transplant-Related: e.g. Leukemia, Other Cancers, Post-Transplant Disease-Specific Therapies Immunodeficiencies, Marrow Failure, Metabolic Diseases.
 - Nurses/Advanced Practice Provider/Allied Health: e.g. Theme specifically for nurses and other allied health professionals to use to submit their abstracts.
- If you must cite a reference, please do so at the end of your abstract using the following format: author name, journal name, and year of publication, e.g., (Smith, Ped Blood & Cancer, 2002).
- **All accepted abstracts will be presented in ASPHO's official journal, *Pediatric Blood & Cancer* (online format) and on the ASPHO website as they appear at the time of submission.** Please check your submission carefully before clicking the "Submit" button in the submission system. **PTCTC will not allow any changes to the abstract once the system closes on January 11, 2026, at 11:59pm CT.**
- The abstract you submit is for the PTCTC Educational Meeting only. Abstracts can be submitted to **our PTCTC meeting or ASPHO conference via their website, but NOT to both.**

Please follow the link below to submit your abstract for PTCTC:

PTCTC Abstract Submission: https://nmdp.co1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_0Nbdpzr7idHLYRo

If you have any difficulty, please contact PTCTC@nmdp.org.