CALL FOR ABSTRACTS: MOST INTERESTING CASE PRESENTATIONS

ELIGIBILITY – The competition is open to all general surgery residents and surgical specialty residents. Medical students are **not** eligible. Having presented at the national level is not a disqualifier to submitting an abstract.

FORUM – This event is *LIVE* and requires you to create an 8–10-minute power point presentation. You must *also* submit a formal abstract. (Instructions below.) The content of each case report should be something of interest to practicing surgeons and describe experiences that may not be routinely seen, or something treated in a unique fashion. Case reports that involve patients who have common surgical problems, where the clinical presentation and/or challenges of management produced knowledge and insights, have high value.

SUBMISSION – **Email a copy of your abstract to etaylor@acms.org by Friday, May 17, 2024.** The abstracts will be peer-reviewed and those selected to present will be notified on May 23, 2024.

EVENT DETAILS – Wednesday, May 29, 2024, at 6:00 pm, at Eddie Merlot's.

Presentations will be judged by a panel of surgeons with cash prizes awarded to the top three "Most Interesting Cases." 1st Place - $500, 2nd Place - $300, 3rd Place - $200.

The "Most Interesting" case will also be submitted for publication in the *ACS Case Reviews in Surgery*.
The ACS Case Reviews in Surgery (ACS Case Reviews) publishes case reports in various surgical specialties six times a year. Case reports will be reviewed with the understanding that the work has not been published by, and is not under consideration at, any other journal. All manuscripts are peer reviewed. As per submission guidelines, residents can submit to ACS Case Reviews if an ACS Fellow is included as one of the case report authors. Chapters would judge submitted entries and the winner of the competition would receive guaranteed review of the publication in ACS Case Reviews and a free one-year subscription to the journal. (Annual subscriptions are $125 with CME and $75 without CME.)

SPECIFICATIONS FOR PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION OF ABSTRACTS
- The abstract should be **no more than one page** (approximately 500 words) and provide adequate information and objective data to evaluate the abstract properly.
- The abstract should be submitted electronically, preferably as a Word document or PDF. It is permissible to single-space the abstract.
- At the top of the first page, the full title of the abstract and full name of the **principal** author, with academic degrees and institution.
- At the bottom of the first page, a footnote should be included to provide the principal author's email address and telephone number. **This contact information is very important.**
- Abstracts not submitted in this manner will not be accepted

POWERPOINT GUIDELINES
- Speakers should be able to communicate in a 10-minute time slot.
  - Slide 1: Title slide
  - Slide 2: Your name, photo, PGY-year and where you are doing your residency
  - Slide 3: Disclosures