**2026 ASPHP National SPHM Conference**

**March 15 – 19, 2026**

**Dallas, TX**

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| **Poster Abstract Submission and Guidelines****Submission Deadline: September 15, 2025****Author Notification by December 1, 2025** We extend an invitation to those interested in showcasing their research through a poster presentation at the 2026 ASPHP National SPHM Conference. Proposals should be submitted no later than September 15, 2025. These poster abstracts should be closely aligned with innovative and evidence-based research and initiatives in the field of safe patient handling and mobility (SPHM). We encourage topics that directly or indirectly advance SPHM initiatives.All abstracts will undergo a peer-review process. Accepted abstracts will be featured during the conference and in the conference materials. Lead authors will receive notification via email, prior to January 9, 2026. To ensure participation in the conference, author(s) must register for the conference by February 1, 2026. Abstracts will be included in the conference handouts only if registration fees are paid by this deadline.The poster boards provided will measure 8 feet in width and 4 feet in height. The Poster Abstract Committee retains the right to decline contributions that do not align with the conference's objectives or lack sufficient scientific or technological merit. Abstracts with product promotional content or those advertising a specific company will not be accepted.**AWARDS/RECOGNITION** Posters will be rated by the 2026 National Conference Committee. Award recipients will recognize from the podium prior to the morning Keynote Presentation on day two of the conference. 1. **Best Overall Award**: Outstanding poster award recognizing excellence in research, poster design and presentation.
2. **Innovation Award**: Project utilizes new approach to using SPHM practices to expand adoption and integration into healthcare across all settings.
3. **Inclusive Voices Award**: Diverse roles/disciplines, opinions, and approaches incorporated into poster research, design and presentation.
4. **Gallagher Award/Top Novice Award: Recognizes** those who are in the early stages of their career or are just beginning to expand their skill set to include research, development of best practice and performance improvement.
5. **Excellence in Research Design Award:** Poster displays best use of research methods (control group, statistical analysis, demonstrates a strong cause and effect relationship etc).
6. **Exemplary QI Project Award:** Develops an investigative question and embarks on a quality improvement initiative to promote culture change within their organization/sphere of influence.

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*Presenters will be eligible to receive a $100 discount on the main conference registration.*

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