Abstract Policies and Procedures

General Information

- All abstracts and cases must be submitted in English.
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- All accepted presenters must register for the course. Early Bird rates will be offered based on the presenter's membership status (e.g., member, nonmember). Authors will receive specific registration instructions with their acceptance notification.
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