Call for Poster Abstracts
2015 Annual Education Conference at Nemacolin!

SWPONL invites you to submit an abstract for the poster presentations for the SWPONL 2015 Annual Educational Conference. SWPONL’s Annual Conference will take place September 3 & 4, 2015 at Nemacolin Woodlands Resort in Pennsylvania’s beautiful Laurel Highlands. The Annual Conference gathers nurse leaders from Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Ohio to celebrate the individual and collective achievements of nurse leaders and administrators from the region. We offer many exciting programs, including a keynote address, plenary sessions, exhibits, posters, concurrent sessions, a networking reception, and the annual membership meeting. It is a time for nurse leaders to network and share ideas about unique practice methods and solutions for a variety of healthcare settings.

Poster abstracts should have an original research, practice, or educational focus for a completed or in progress nursing leadership project or innovative approach that aligns with this year’s conference, Ethical Practice, Quality Care: Perspectives for the Nurse Leader.

Abstracts may be submitted from April 1 – June 1, 2015 (midnight, EDT). The submission deadline is firm, so please plan accordingly. Posters will be on display in the exhibit hall and available to attendees during breaks, meals and exhibit hours.

How to Apply
All applicants need to complete the Poster Application and provide:
A paragraph/abstract (up to 300 words) that describes the content of your poster of a completed or in progress nursing leadership special project, innovative approach, etc. in the areas of:

- Support of Dignity and Respect in Healthcare Organizations
- The Role of the Nurse Executive in Creating Ethical Environments
- Advocacy of End-of-Life Care and Palliative Care Programs
- Nursing Implications for Ethical Practice
- Innovation in Nursing Leadership
- Fostering a Culture of Compassion and Resiliency

Go to www.ponl.net click on SWPONL, for the Poster Application for required information and to submit the abstract. All applications must be submitted online to the SWPONL Office at swponl@ponl.net by June 1, 2015, midnight EDT. This deadline is FIRM.

Selection Process
All poster abstracts are subjected to a "blind" peer review. Abstracts will be evaluated on relevance to the conference theme, scholarship, and implications/outcomes for practice.

Notification
All abstract submitters will receive an acknowledgement email within two weeks of their abstract being successfully received at SWPONL headquarters. The selection process will be completed and all primary authors notified of the outcome by July 1, 2015. All poster presenters are responsible for registration fees and all other expenses incurred. For additional information or assistance, please contact Linda Mason at swponl@ponl.net or call SWPONL at 412-344-1414.