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Texas Chapter – American College of Cardiology *CALL FOR ABSTRACTS*

The Texas Chapter of the American College of Cardiology invites cardiology fellows to submit abstracts for the 1st Annual Fellows' Seminar & Abstract Competition during the Annual Meeting of the Chapter. The meeting will be held at the Fairmont Hotel in Dallas, May 19, 2012. Following are the guidelines:

1. The competition is open to all cardiology fellows in approved Texas training programs.
2. An abstract of no more than 350 words should be submitted online at <http://www.tcacc.org/displayemailforms.cfm?emailformnbr=175256>.
 - Abstracts are accepted only via website. Those received by fax, routine mail, or email will not be considered.
 - Abstracts should NOT contain the names of the author or institution.
 - It is recommended that abstracts be broken down into four clearly defined sections: background, materials and methods, results, and discussion. However, this is not required.
 - See additional document for poster guidelines or this may be found online at www.tcacc.org.
3. Papers are submitted with the understanding that they represent work performed primarily by the presenter during their fellowship.

**Deadline for Submission is
April 13, 2012
No Late Entries Accepted**

4. All abstracts submitted will be considered for podium presentation. 6 abstracts will be selected for podium presentation at the Fellows' Seminar. Authors will be notified by April 30, 2012. Each presentation will be limited to 10 minutes, to be followed by a 2.5-minute discussion period. *Podium presenters will not be expected to prepare posters.*
5. Authors whose papers were not selected for podium presentation may be invited to present their abstracts on posters to be displayed at the meeting. Poster guidelines are available on the TCACC web site at www.tcacc.org.
6. A panel of judges will select the top three *podium* presentations based on their scientific merit, clarity of presentation, originality, potential importance, interpretation and conclusion, use of audiovisual material and interaction with the audience during the question period. The winners will be awarded a certificate as well as \$1,000, \$500 and \$250 for first, second and third places respectively.
7. The registration fee for scientific sessions is waived for all fellows, and those selected to give a podium presentation will also receive reimbursement of their travel and housing expenses, as well as tickets to any social activities sponsored by the TCACC at this meeting.