CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

29th Annual Scientific Meeting - "Optimising Medicines: Factoring in Frailty"
National Council of Voluntary Organisations Society Building, 8 All Saints Street, London, N1 9RL
Friday 26th January 2018

Submissions are invited for ORAL and/or POSTER PRESENTATION at the PRIMM (UK & Ireland) 29th Annual Scientific Meeting. PRIMM is a multidisciplinary group with a membership of people interested in all aspects of medicines optimisation from across the UK and Ireland. The theme of the morning session is:

"Optimising Medicines: Factoring in Frailty"

However, abstracts can be submitted on any aspects of prescribing and research in medicines optimisation. Abstracts should be self-contained on a single page and of not more than 500 words. Please provide as a WORD document and refer to ABSTRACT GUIDELINES before proceeding. Notification will be sent out at the end of November as to whether abstracts have been accepted for oral or poster presentation. ALL those giving oral and/or poster presentations (whether singly or jointly) must pay and register to attend the conference. For the oral presentations, each speaker will be given 10 minutes speaking time and 5 minutes for discussion. Abstracts, with your permission, will be published in the journal *Pharmacoepidemiology and Drug Safety*.

A bursary of £200 will be awarded at the meeting for the best abstract received. There will also be a prize of £50 for the best poster.

Abstracts should be submitted by email to: primmad17@gmail.com no later than Monday 30th October 2017. All abstracts will be considered for oral and/or poster presentation.

PROGRAMME

Supporting older people with frailty is considered one of the greatest challenges to the current NHS. As such, the identification and management of frailty has been included in the 2017/18 GMS contract. A key part of the frailty agenda is to include medication reviews for people with severe frailty. This meeting will cover the identification of frailty, the link between medication and frailty and finally how to tackle polypharmacy in frail patients. As such this meeting will be invaluable to practitioners and researchers alike.

We have three outstanding speakers with extensive experience in both research and practice in reducing excessive medicines use, from whom we will learn a great deal. If you are at all interested in frailty and optimising medicines use, don’t miss it!

- Dr Adrian Blundell, BM BS FRCP MMedSci (Clin Ed) MAcad Med, Consultant Geriatrician & Director of Postgraduate Medical Education, Nottingham University Hospitals NHS Trust.
- Dr Andrew Clegg MBBS BSc MD MRCP, Senior Lecturer & Honorary Consultant Geriatrician, Academic Unit of Elderly Care & Rehabilitation, University of Leeds & Bradford Teaching Hospitals.
- Dr Tessa Lewis, MB BCh FRCGP, GP Partner, Aneurin Bevan University Health Board.

Registration forms are available at www.primm.eu.com or via email from primmad17@gmail.com