



HUPEDCARE®

RULES FOR SUBMISSION OF SCIENTIFIC PAPERS

I INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS ON THE HUMANIZATION OF CARE IN PEDIATRIC PAIN

II BRAZILIAN CONGRESS ON PEDIATRIC PAIN AND PEDIATRIC PALLIATIVE CARE

III SYMPOSIUM ON TECHNOLOGIES IN CHILD HEALTH



INSTRUCTIONS FOR ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

The Organizing Committee invites all registered participants of the I International Congress on the Humanization of Care in Pediatric Pain of the Higher Education as a Driver in the HUMANISATION OF PEDIATRIC PAIN CARE (HUPEDCARE) project, the II Brazilian Congress on Pediatric Pain and Pediatric Palliative Care, and the II Symposium on Technologies in Child Health to take part in the event by submitting their abstracts for review and presentation in poster format. **Each congress registrant will be entitled to submit one abstract. Please note that the congress will be held entirely in person.**

The Scientific Committee takes pride in fulfilling its role of disseminating knowledge and science, as well as sharing reports from professionals dedicated to advancing pediatric pain management and Pediatric Palliative Care worldwide.

IMPORTANT DATES



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- Abstract submission deadline: until 11:59 PM (Brasília time) on **April 5, 2026**
- Notification of results: by **May 4, 2026**
- Poster or oral presentation (for accepted papers): **between May 21 and 23, 2026**



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1. RULES FOR ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

11.1 – The Corresponding Author responsible for submitting the abstract must be duly registered for the event prior to submitting the abstract.

1.2 – Abstracts must be submitted in accordance with the provisions set forth in Item 2 (RULES FOR ABSTRACT PREPARATION).

1.3 – Each Corresponding Author may submit one (1) abstract.

1.3.1 – The Corresponding Author of a submitted paper may be listed as a Co-author on other papers submitted by different authors; however, they may be responsible for the submission of only one paper.

1.4 – The maximum number of authors per paper is six (6), including the Corresponding Author and Co-authors.

1.4.1 – At least half of the authors of the paper must be duly registered and present at the event.

1.5 – The deadline for abstract submission is 11:59 PM (Brasília time – Brazil) on **April 5, 2026**.

1.6 – The evaluation of submissions will be conducted by a Review Committee established exclusively for the analysis of papers submitted to this event.

1.6.1 – The decision of the Review Committee is final, and no appeals or requests for reconsideration will be accepted.

1.6.2 – The review process is confidential; therefore, the reasons for acceptance or rejection of papers will not be disclosed to the public. Additionally, reviewers are prohibited from commenting outside the Review Committee regarding the submitted papers.

1.7 – Submission of an abstract constitutes a commitment by the author(s) to present the work at the event if it is accepted.

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1.8 – The results will be announced on the event website and sent to the authors' email addresses by May 4, 2026.

1.9 – Abstract submission must be completed exclusively through the event's official website.

1.10 – The following information must be provided at the time of submission:

- a. Type of work (Research and Reviews or Experience Report and Case Report)
- b. Category (choose from I to V)
- c. Title of the paper
- d. Name of the first author, who will be responsible for presenting the poster if the paper is accepted
- e. Primary institution associated with the project
- f. Contact phone number
- g. Contact email address

1.11 – During the submission process, the author must indicate whether they wish their work to be considered for the Global Treehouse Awards (as described in Item 8), in addition to the regular awards.

1.12 – When completing the submission form, the author may indicate a preference for poster or oral presentation. However, the Organizing Committee reserves the right to determine the final presentation format.

1.13 – Accepted papers will be registered and published in the Electronic Proceedings and made publicly available.

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1.13.1 – All materials produced (proceedings, certificates, among others) based on the submitted abstracts will be a faithful reproduction of the information provided by the Corresponding Author during the abstract submission process. Therefore, it will not be possible to make any changes to the spelling of the title, abstract, or authors' names after submission. The information provided is the sole responsibility of the Corresponding Author submitting the work.

1.14 – By submitting abstracts, the authors agree to comply with all applicable legislation, as well as to respect the ethical standards governing research involving human beings and animals, including, when applicable, approval by the Research Ethics Committees for Human Subjects and the Clinical Ethics Committee for Animal Research. The review opinions may be requested at any time by the Evaluation Committee.

1.15 – The Main Author must correctly provide their email address, as all communications regarding the work will be sent to the registered email address.

1.16 – After submission of the abstract through the event website, the scientific committee will evaluate the submitted data.

1.17 – Approved works must be presented by the Corresponding Author in printed poster format or as an oral presentation, as determined by the Organizing Committee, on the designated dates during the event and in accordance with the rules set forth in item 4 (RULES FOR POSTER PRESENTATION and RULES FOR ORAL PRESENTATION).

RULES FOR ABSTRACT PREPARATION



2 – RULES FOR ABSTRACT PREPARATION

2.1 – The title must be concise and reflect the study being presented, with a limit of 150 characters, not including spaces.

2.2 – The abstract text must not exceed 1,500 characters, not including spaces (excluding the title, authors, institutions, bibliography, and keywords).

2.3 – The Corresponding Author must select one of the categories listed in Item 3 (CATEGORIES OF PAPERS) for their abstract submission. If the abstract fits more than one category, the Corresponding Author should choose the theme that is predominant in the work.

2.4 – The abstract must be typed as a single block, following the structure below according to the type of work:

2.4.1 – **Research and Reviews:** Introduction, Objective, Methodology, Results, and Conclusion.

2.4.2 – **Experience Report and Case Report:** Case/Service Presentation, Discussion, and Final Comments.

2.5 – Abstracts may not include visual elements such as tables or graphs. These resources may be used in the posters if the work is accepted.

2.6 – The use of brand names for medications is not allowed; generic drug names must be used.

2.7 – If the study has been reviewed by an ethics committee, the approval number must be included.

2.8 – Abstracts must be written in two languages, and may be prepared in:

- a. **Portuguese and english**, or
- b. **Spanish and english**

CATEGORIES OF PAPERS



3 - CATEGORIES OF PAPERS

I - Health Policies and Intersectoral Actions in Pediatric Pain and Pediatric Palliative Care

1. Levels of care (low, medium, high complexity)
2. Care pathways
3. Service networks
4. Service management
5. Intersectoral actions
6. Hospices
7. Public health
8. Others

II - Population Groups in Pediatric Pain and Pediatric Palliative Care

1. Neonatology
2. Pediatrics
3. Adolescence
4. Family and caregivers
5. Health professionals
6. Others

III - Pediatric Health Care

1. Health communication and information
2. Spirituality
3. End-of-life care
4. Grief
5. Bioethics
6. Care planning
7. Adolescent sexuality
8. Others



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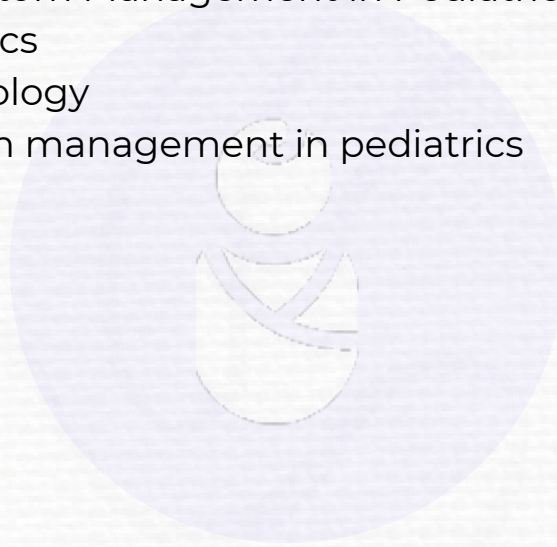


IV - Education and Teaching in Pediatric Pain and Pediatric Palliative Care

- Student leagues
- Extension programs
- Collectives and social movements
- Curriculum development
- Teaching methodologies
- Others

V - Pain and Symptom Management in Pediatrics

- Pain in pediatrics
- Pain in neonatology
- Other symptom management in pediatrics
- Others



RULES FOR POSTER PRESENTATION



4 – RULES FOR PAPER PRESENTATION

4.1 POSTER

4.1.1 – Posters must include: paper code (provided with abstract approval), title, authors, author affiliations, content of the work, and bibliography.

4.1.2 – Posters must follow the dimensions 90 x 120 cm and be mounted using materials suitable for banner stands, in locations designated by the Organizing Committee.

4.1.3 – Posters must be written in Portuguese, English, or Spanish.

4.1.4 – The Corresponding Author is responsible for all costs related to the preparation and printing of the poster.

4.1.5 – Presentation will take place at a location and time designated by the Organizing Committee during the event. Authors will be informed by email of the day, location, and time of their presentation.

4.1.6 – Authors must arrive at least 30 minutes before their scheduled presentation to deliver materials and mount the poster in the designated location.

4.2 ORAL PRESENTATION

4.2.1 – The work must be presented in slide format, either as a PPT, PDF, or via the Canva platform.

4.2.2 – Slides must include: paper code (provided with abstract approval), title, authors, author affiliations, content of the work, and bibliography.

4.2.3 – Presentation will take place at a location and time designated by the Organizing Committee during the event. Authors will be informed by email of the day, location, and time of their presentation.

4.2.4 – Authors must arrive at least 30 minutes before their scheduled presentation to submit the presentation file or access link (for Canva).

4.2.5 – Presentation time will be a maximum of 10 minutes, followed by 5 minutes for questions from the evaluators.



5 – EVALUATION OF PAPERS

5.1 – Papers will be evaluated by a Review Committee according to the following criteria:

- Overall presentation
- Scientific methodology
- Originality
- Ability to summarize
- Writing (grammatical correctness)

5.2 – For each criterion, a score from 0 to 2 will be assigned independently by each member of the Review Committee. The scores for each item will be summed, with the final score from each evaluator being the total of all items.

5.3 – The candidate's final score will be the simple arithmetic mean of the final scores assigned by all evaluators.

5.4 – In the event of a tie, the following tie-breaking criteria will apply, in order:

5.4.1 – Highest average score for item 1 among all evaluators

5.4.2 – Highest average score for item 2 among all evaluators

5.4.3 – Highest average score for item 3 among all evaluators

5.4.4 – Highest average score for item 4 among all evaluators

5.4.5 – Highest average score for item 5 among all evaluators

5.4.6 – If the tie persists, the earlier submission date will be used as the final criterion.

CERTIFICATES



6 – CERTIFICATES

6.1 – Certificates may be issued in PDF format or as a printed copy.

6.2 – To receive a certificate, the Corresponding Author (who submitted the paper) must have attended the event, along with at least half of the co-authors, and must have presented the work either as a poster or in oral format.

6.2.1 – Only one certificate will be issued per paper, which will be sent to the Corresponding Author, who is responsible for distributing it to the other co-authors of the abstract.

AWARDS



7 – AWARDS

7.1 – The three best papers in each of the five categories will be recognized with an “Honorable Mention” award.

7.2 – Winners will be announced on May 23, 2026, the last day of the congress.

7.3 – The “Honorable Mention” certificate may be issued in PDF format or as a printed copy.

GLOBAL TREEHOUSE AWARDS



8 - GLOBAL TREEHOUSE AWARDS

8.1 – The Global Treehouse Awards, granted in partnership with the Global Treehouse, aim to recognise and amplify bold, practical ideas that improve the quality, access, or delivery of paediatric palliative care - particularly through thoughtful use of innovation and technology.

8.2 – The award will be given alongside the awards described in Item 7 of this call, meaning that papers may receive both recognitions simultaneously.

8.3 – Up to three papers may be selected for the award, at the discretion of the Global Treehouse Awards Review Committee.

8.4 – All authors registered for the Congress with accepted papers for oral or poster presentation are eligible to compete for this award.

8.5 – To compete for the Global Treehouse Awards, the author must indicate their interest during the submission process.

8.6 – To be eligible for the award, papers must:

8.6.1 – Have been submitted and approved for presentation at the Congress.

8.6.2 – Demonstrate meaningful innovation or the application of technology, including digital tools, AI applications, data systems, telehealth solutions, or other practical technologies, to improve paediatric palliative care.

8.6.3 – Comply with national and international ethical standards for health research.

8.7 – The evaluation and selection of award-winning papers will be conducted by a dedicated Review Committee composed of representatives from Global Treehouse and appointed experts and/or representatives from the Congress organising team.

8.8 – Evaluation criteria will include, among others: degree of innovation, relevance of the topic, feasibility and implementation potential, impact of the work, methodological rigor, and quality of the presentation.

8.9 – The results will be announced during the official closing ceremony of the Congress and shared publicly through Global Treehouse channels and relevant international media outlets.

8.10 – Winners will receive international recognition from Global Treehouse, including a formal certificate, a digital “Global Treehouse Innovation Awardee” designation, and visibility across Global Treehouse’s platforms and innovation network.

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