Presentations of research on all aspects of Coaching are invited for the seventh annual “Coaching in Leadership and Healthcare: Theory, Practice and Results” Conference. The Conference is organized by the Institute of Coaching, McLean Hospital, and Harvard Medical School on September 16th – 17th 2016 at The Renaissance Boston Waterfront Hotel, Boston, MA.

Types of Submissions

The research sessions are held to exchange information, ideas, and latest research results in the field of coaching. Papers and posters need to be relevant to the following areas:

- Leadership Coaching
- Health and Wellness Coaching
- Positive Psychology Coaching
- Life Coaching
- Other relevant fields

We invite submissions of proposals for:

- **Oral Paper presentations**: Accepted papers will be presented in oral sessions according to topics.
- **Posters**: Accepted posters will be arranged in an exhibit during the poster session, with opportunities to interact with authors and audience.

Additional Information:

- Papers and posters can describe original empirical research (quantitative, qualitative or mixed-methods research), meta-analyses, and theoretical discussions.
- Each author can submit up to two different submissions of paper or poster.
- Primary authors can be investigators who are currently affiliated with academic institutions, or are doctoral level professionals (PhD, MD, EdD) in other institutions, or are graduate students and other professionals with doctoral level mentors.
Empirical research should be completed or well under way rather than at the beginning stages. It must include analyses and a summary of findings. Stating "the data will be analyzed" or "findings will be presented/discussed" is not sufficient research to submit for either the poster or paper presentation.

- The submission cannot have been presented at any previous Institute of Coaching conference.
- The submission cannot have been previously published.
- The study must have followed the standards of ethics in research with human beings and obtained appropriate ethical approval if it is an empirical study.
- The Scientific Advisory Council of the Institute of Coaching will review all paper and poster submissions and select those to be presented at the conference as well as the winners of the Best Poster Competition and Honorary Mention winners.
- Submissions that promote commercial interests or that feature proprietary materials will not be accepted.
- Presenting authors of all accepted papers and posters must register and pay the conference registration fee.
- Posters will not be mounted without the presence & conference registration of at least one author.

**Deadline**

The deadline for the receipt of completed online paper and poster applications is

**June 6th, 2016**

Decisions will be announced by **July 1st, 2016**

[Click here](#) to submit your paper or poster.

[More details on the conference](#)

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Oral presentations of papers will take place during the paper sessions in 20-minute slots.

The Application form will ask for:

- Author(s) details can include up to 5 authors. The first author is the presenting author.
- **Title:** up to 30 words
- **Abstract:** short abstract of up to 150 words

The following fields are up to 100 words each:

- Application follows the same format as for papers
- If your poster is accepted you must submit the final PDF by **August 1st, 2016**
- Posters should be no larger than **72 inches wide by 48 inches tall**.
- Print your final poster and bring to the Attendee Assistance Table by **8:00am on Friday, September 16th, 2016**.
- Posters will be mounted on poster stands by the staff and available for attendees to view during conference meeting breaks and the Poster Session, scheduled the evening of
**Background and Objectives** include the objectives of the study, main research questions, hypotheses, or theory being tested.

**Design and Methods** include design, participants, measures, data collection and analysis.

**Findings:** For quantitative studies include a description of the results; qualitative studies should include a description of the main findings such as the themes or categories generated.

**Discussion:** Discussion and conclusions regarding the implications and possible contribution to Coaching. Please do not include a list of references at the end.

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**Friday, September 16th, 2016.**

**Poster Competition**

All poster applications invited to submit a full poster will be entered into a competition for **Best Poster and three honorable mention awards.**

**Criteria** for selecting posters to be awarded include: Clarity of research aims, rationale and theoretical framework; Description of study design and procedures; Quality of statistical and/or qualitative analysis (or of theoretical discussion if conceptual paper); Contribution to coaching theory, research and/or practice; Visual presentation; Potential to publish

The primary author of the Best Poster award receives:

- One-year complementary Affiliate Membership in the IOC.
- Up to $1000 travel and accommodation reimbursement for the current conference. (Travel must meet the Partners guidelines for reimbursement.)
- Complementary registration to next year’s Coaching Conference.
- A commemorative award.

The first author of the two Honorable Mention awards will receive a one year complementary Affiliate Membership in the IOC.

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