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GUIDELINES FOR PAPER SUBMISSIONS

“5th International Congress on Integration in Specialized Pediatric Surgery and Pediatric Oncology 2026”

**ABSTRACT SUBMISSION DEADLINE FOR POSTERS:
September 15, 2026**

I. INTRODUCTION

VIDAWASI Peru and Texas Children's Hospital renew their commitment to promoting medical research related to clinical and/or surgical pediatric pathology and childhood cancer, as well as disseminating scientific knowledge and the experiences of healthcare professionals and undergraduate medical students from Peruvian and international universities. For this reason, we are launching a new call for research submissions in the form of clinical case report(s) and original research papers.

II. INVITATION

Researchers are invited to submit papers to the 5th International Congress on Integration in Specialized Pediatric Surgery and Pediatric Oncology 2026, to be held from October 20–23, 2026, at the Virgen de Vidawasi Children's Health Campus, located in Urubamba, Cusco, Peru.

There will be two categories for research presentations:

- **Professional Category** (General Practitioners, Medical Specialists, and Medical Residents)
- **Undergraduate Category** (Medical Students)

Research papers addressing the diagnosis, treatment, and/or comprehensive management of pediatric clinical-surgical pathologies will be accepted. Preference will be given to submissions that present innovative techniques or scientific advances.

Accepted submission types include:

- Clinical case report(s)

- Original research papers

Authors of papers selected by the Congress Scientific Committee will be invited to present their work in poster format during the event.

III. REQUIREMENTS

- Papers must be original and unpublished, conducted nationally and/or internationally, and fall within the scope of clinical pediatrics, pediatric surgery, and/or their subspecialties.
- Papers must not have been presented at any previous congress or course.
- Papers must be submitted in Spanish.
- A maximum of two (02) papers may be submitted by the same principal author.
- Submissions must have approval from the Ethics Committee of the institution where the research was conducted and include the corresponding informed consent and/or informed assent forms when applicable according to the type of research.
- Papers may have a maximum of four (4) authors in both categories. In the undergraduate category, an additional advisor is required, who must be a physician (for a total of 4 authors and 1 advisor).
- A primary poster presenter must be designated. Additionally, an alternate presenter must be designated from among the author(s) and/or co-author(s) in case the primary presenter is unable to attend the Congress due to force majeure. The alternate presenter will be the only person authorized to present the poster in such circumstances.
- For undergraduate submissions, the advisor may not participate in the poster summary presentation but may participate in the discussion following the presentation. The advisor must be properly identified and introduced to the jury before the presentation begins.
- The primary presenter must register for the Congress once the abstract has been accepted.

- At the beginning of the oral presentation, the presenter must introduce themselves to the jury and wear their Congress identification badge with their full name visible. If the alternate presenter replaces the primary presenter, the alternate must also be registered for the Congress and properly identified before beginning the oral presentation.
- Papers submitted through any means other than those established in this document or submitted after the deadline will not be accepted.
- Members of the Scientific Committee, the Congress Organizing Committee, the judging panel, and the Board of Directors of VIDAWASI PERU may not submit papers.

IV. SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

CLINICAL CASE REPORT(S)

- The abstract must contain a maximum of 300 words (excluding title and references).
- The cover page must include:
 - a. Title (must be identical to the poster title) – avoid abbreviations.
 - b. Category.
 - c. Last name(s) and first name of the primary author, last name(s) and first name(s) of co-authors, and author affiliations.
 - d. Institution represented, city, and country of origin.
- The presentation sequence should be:
 - a. Abstract
 - b. Objective
 - c. Relevant patient information
 - d. Medical history and pertinent physical examination findings
 - e. Timeline of illness and clinical evolution
 - f. Complementary tests: laboratory, radiological, or pathological studies as needed
 - g. Diagnosis, results, and discussion
 - h. Treatment performed: clinical, pharmacological, surgical, or interventional

- i. Conclusions and References: Journal articles must not be older than 5 years. Use Vancouver citation style.
- j. Informed consent and/or informed assent forms used (if required according to the type of research).

ORIGINAL RESEARCH PAPERS

- The abstract must contain a maximum of 400 words (excluding title and references).
- The cover page must include:
 - a. Title (must be identical to the poster title) – avoid abbreviations.
 - b. Category.
 - c. Last name(s) and first name of the primary author, last name(s) and first name(s) of co-authors, and author affiliations.
 - d. Institution represented, city, and country of origin.
- The presentation sequence should be:
 - a. Abstract
 - b. Problem statement
 - c. Objectives
 - d. Materials and methods
 - e. Inclusion and exclusion criteria
 - f. Results and clinical impact
 - g. Discussion
 - h. Conclusions and references: Journal articles must not be older than 5 years. Use Vancouver citation style.
- Generic names must be used when referring to drugs or healthcare products.
- The abstract must include a minimum of three (3) and a maximum of five (5) keywords describing the study or identifying the areas covered.
- Images, tables, or illustrations considered important for understanding the abstract may be attached (maximum of 3) in readable JPEG or JPG format. High-resolution images are recommended.

- Within a maximum of 48 hours after submission, receipt of the abstract will be officially confirmed via email and/or WhatsApp. If confirmation is not received, please contact:
 - congresointernacional@vidawasiperu.org
 - +51 973 229 690

V. EVALUATION STAGES

FIRST STAGE: PRELIMINARY REVIEW

Abstract selection will be conducted by the Congress 2026 Scientific Committee.

Compliance with all submission requirements and instructions will be verified. Failure to comply will result in automatic disqualification without right to appeal.

SECOND STAGE: SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE REVIEW

Committee members will evaluate selected abstracts using the corresponding rubric.

A list indicating acceptance or rejection of each submission, along with the score obtained, will be provided to the Organizing Committee, which will notify authors via email and/or WhatsApp.

THIRD STAGE: POSTER PRESENTATION AND EVALUATION BY THE JUDGING PANEL

This stage will take place during the Congress.

An expert judging panel designated by the Organizing Committee will evaluate presentations using the corresponding rubric.

The final decision is not subject to appeal.

VI. ABSTRACT SUBMISSION AND PARTICIPANT INFORMATION

a. Abstract Submission

Abstracts must be submitted as a PDF file using: Arial font, size 12, 1.5 line spacing

The file name must be:

“ABSTRACT, principal author’s two last names, category (professional or undergraduate), and type of work (clinical case or original research)”

b. Participant Information File

A second PDF file, submitted separately and titled **“INFORMATION”**, must include:

- Full names of all authors, indicating specialty and/or subspecialty, Medical College registration number (CMP), RNE if applicable, and workplace.
- The first author will be considered the principal author; all others will be considered co-authors.
- For undergraduate submissions, include the advisor’s full name and indicate their role as advisor.
- Mobile phone number and email address of the principal author.
- Full names, mobile phone numbers, and email addresses of both the primary and alternate presenters.
- Copy of the Ethics Committee approval report.
- Copy of the informed consent and/or informed assent form, if required.
- Conflict of Interest Declaration (see attached template).

c. Submission Method

Both PDF files must be submitted together in a single email to:

congresointernacional@vidawasiperu.org

Email subject line: **“Free Paper Abstract for VIDAWASI 2026 Congress”**

d. Submission Period

Opening date: July 18, 2026, at 12:00 a.m.

Submission deadline: September 15, 2026, at 11:59 p.m.

- e. No modifications to either the abstract or information files will be permitted after submission.
- f. Acceptance of an abstract requires completion of all indicated steps and submission of all requested information and supporting documents.
- g. Authors will be notified regarding acceptance or rejection on **September 19, 2026**.
- h. Authors are responsible for monitoring receipt of the acceptance notification and confirming its receipt. If no notification is received, authors should contact: congresointernacional@vidawasiperu.org | +51 973 229 690

VII. POSTERS

a. Poster Structure and Submission

Once acceptance is confirmed, authors may begin preparing the poster.

Physical format:

- Printed poster measuring **90 cm wide × 150 cm high** (portrait orientation).
- The poster must be self-explanatory and understandable without an oral presentation.

The poster must include:

- Category
- Title
- Author(s)
- Institution represented
- City and country of origin

For Clinical Case Reports

- a. Abstract
- b. Objective
- c. Relevant case information: medical history, physical examination findings, chronology, auxiliary tests, diagnosis, treatment, etc.
- d. Results
- e. Discussion
- f. Conclusions
- g. References

For Original Research Papers

- a. Abstract
 - b. Objectives
 - c. Materials and methods
 - d. Inclusion and exclusion criteria
 - e. Results and impact
 - f. Discussion
 - g. Conclusions
 - h. References
- Authors may freely include graphical elements (tables, photographs, drawings, charts, etc.) that improve understanding of the content.
 - There are no restrictions regarding color usage.
 - All captions and text must be clearly legible.
 - Costs related to preparation, transportation, and display of posters are the responsibility of the author(s).
 - Posters must be delivered to the organizers no later than the beginning of the Congress. Information regarding the designated recipient and delivery location will be provided by email and/or WhatsApp.

b. Oral Poster Presentation

- Authors will be informed in advance via email and/or WhatsApp of the location, dates, and times of poster presentations.

- The primary or alternate presenter must arrive 15 minutes before the presentation. Attendance is **mandatory**.
- The presenter must explain the work and answer questions from the jury and attendees.
- Each poster will be assigned a number by the Scientific Committee, which will be communicated in the acceptance letter.
- This number must be displayed in the upper-left corner of the poster.
- Each poster presentation will last a maximum of 15 minutes:
 - 10 minutes presentation
 - 5 minutes questions
- Posters must be installed at least one hour before the beginning of the assigned session.
- Poster removal is the responsibility of the author at the end of the presentation day.
- Any questions should be directed to the poster session coordinators.

c. Poster Evaluation

- The judging panel, composed of three members, will evaluate oral presentations and submit their scoring rubrics to the Scientific Committee. Based on the scores obtained, the top three (03) winners in each category and submission type will be selected. Results are final and not subject to appeal.
- Evaluation criteria include:
 - a. Originality
 - b. Methodology
 - c. Clinical relevance
 - d. Clinical, academic, and/or practical discussion
 - e. Oral poster presentation
- Results and awards will be announced during the Congress.

VIII. AWARDS

Winning submissions in each category (Professional and Undergraduate) and each submission type will receive a recognition diploma indicating the place achieved by all participants listed in the submitted information PDF.

In addition, the principal authors of the first- and second-place winners in each category and submission type will receive an academic scholarship for the VIDAWASI Congress 2027.

As part of the recognition of their scientific contribution, members of the winning entries will be invited to participate in interviews and broadcasts on VIDAWASI Radio and Television, with the aim of raising awareness of their research and promoting the exchange of knowledge within the academic and healthcare communities.

In addition, the organization will award other special prizes, which will be announced in due course.

All authors, co-authors, collaborators, and/or advisors listed in the abstract of all other submissions will receive certificates recognizing their participation in this activity.

IX. FINAL PROVISIONS

Any matters not addressed in this document will be resolved by the Scientific Committee.

Only papers submitted via email to congresointernacional@vidawasiperu.org will be evaluated.



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