**SYMPOSIUM/WORKSHOPS/Breakfasts PROPOSAL TEMPLATE**

**General information**

- **Symposiums** can take up to two hours and will offer a strong scientific focus and approach. They
- **Workshops** can take up to two hours and will have a practical, professional and hands-on structure. Will be held simultaneously to other workshops. Registration will be needed. Limited places 70-120 attendees.
- **Breakfasts** can take up to one hour and will have an informal set up where all Associations’ members - both directors and associates - can discuss a specific scientific or professional subject in an enjoyable and colloquial environment.

Food industry and/or a pharmaceutical company can sponsor the Symposium /Workshop/Breakfast. Sponsor’s details will be provided as part of the proposal.

**SYMPOSIUM/WORKSHOPS Title/Theme:**

Please insert the title/theme of your symposium. Titles will be used in all pre-Congress promotion. Titles must accurately describe the content of your session and be no more than 10-12 words long.

**Outcomes of Using Global Approaches to Training Dietitians in Nutrition Focused Physical Exam**

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SYMPOSIUM/WORKSHOPS History:  
Has the symposium/workshop been held previously? If yes, please describe previous symposium details and rationale for repeating session.

No this symposium was not previously held. The proposed symposium will focus on the longitudinal outcomes of 3 successive studies using a global approach to teaching and training dietitians, dietetics preceptors and students on orofacial nutrition focused physical exam with progressive use of distance learning platforms and technology. We have used a technology integration approach wherein technology was initially used to augment or supplement live sessions; sessions then progressed to integrate technology to replace in-person sessions and allow for virtual live sessions globally with individuals staying within their own geographic locale.

SYMPOSIUM/WORKSHOPS Overview:  
Insert a short overview of your symposium/workshop proposal. If accepted, this information will be used in publications to promote your session. Overview should not exceed 100 words.

Distance learning and virtual environments offer opportunities to educate and train students and professionals globally. Nutrition focused physical exam (NFPE) is included in dietitians’ scopes of practice and in ASPEN and ESPEN malnutrition screening guidelines. International dietetic associations are encouraging dietitians to practice NFPE. Orofacial NFPE and dysphagia screening are integral to nutrition care since the mouth is the gateway to food and fluid consumption. The outcomes of our 4+-years of practice-based mixed-methods research on teaching orofacial NFPE to dietetics students, preceptors and practitioners globally, interventions used, results and implications for global collaboration will be presented. Use of in-person and virtual training, challenges, benefits and approaches to integration and conducting such research will be presented.

SYMPOSIUM/WORKSHOPS Proposal: All details

In English, with a limit of 800 words: you must include a minimum of 3 references and a maximum of 10 references (will follow the consecutive order in which they appear in the text with the corresponding consecutive numbering in Arabic numerals in parentheses; Vancouver style).

Distance learning platforms and virtual environments offer opportunities to educate and train students and professionals globally (1,2). Nutrition focused physical exam (NFPE) and assessment (NFPA) are included in the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics Scope of Practice for Registered Dietitians in clinical care (3) and within the 2012 American Society for Parenteral and
Enteral Nutrition’s and ESPEN’s malnutrition screening guidelines (4,5). Increasingly international dietetic associations are encouraging their dietitian members, notably in Israel and Japan, to integrate NFPE and NFPA into their dietetics practice (2). NFPE of the orofacial region dysphagia screening are integral to patient care as the oral cavity is the gateway to food and fluid consumption (6-9). We have conducted several years of successive research into approaches to teaching NFPE of the orofacial region to dietetics students, preceptors and practitioners on a global level (2,10). The outcomes of our practice based mixed methods research, interventions used, results and implications for global collaboration to continue in this realm of research will be presented. The combined use of in-person and virtual training and the challenges, benefits and approaches to successful integration will be reviewed along with how to conduct such research.

Objectives and anticipated outcomes

1. Participants will be able to state the evidence supporting components of training programs for NFPE and NFPA of the orofacial region and dysphagia screening for dietitians and for dietetics students.
2. Participants will identify the training tools, technology, and research methods and analytic techniques needed to conduct such studies.
3. Participants will recognize approaches to implementing and evaluating a successful NFPE practice based research protocol and outcomes assessment process


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