



CRA Education Committee at the 2016 Lake Louise ASM

tivities, and this is an easy and inexpensive way to do this. Don't hesitate to send audit results to me for distribution to the Education Committee for feedback and suggestions. Reflection on that feedback with resulting changes to your practice is an essential part of a successful chart audit.

If you have developed a continuing medical education (CME) self-assessment or practice reflection or improvement program that can be shared with your colleagues, please review the terms of reference for the Practice Reflection Award on the CRA website (rheum.ca/en/the_cra/

[practice_reflection_award](http://rheum.ca/en/education/practice_reflection_award)). You may qualify for one of three awards given annually. The deadline for submissions is December 31, 2016. If you attended the Lake Louise ASM, you will have likely noticed the successful integration of the pre- and post-knowledge-transfer tests into the program. This is thanks to the work of CRA CEO Christine Charnock and her dedicated staff.

Finally, the Dilemma Rheum is a series of educational teleconferences designed for recently certified rheumatologists and trainees. Each session will feature an expert on a particular topic, who will discuss and answer questions on cases brought forward by participants. Special thanks are due to Dr. Janet Pope for piloting this program. Go to rheum.ca/en/education/dilemma_rheum for more information.

If you have ideas on education that you would like the CRA to develop or facilitate, please go to rheum.ca/en/education/education_suggestion_box and let us know.

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News From the Abstract Committee

By Maggie Larché, MBChB, MRCP(UK), PhD

The abstract committee is once again gearing up to review all of the submitted abstracts for the 2017 meeting.

We received 276 abstracts this year, covering a wide variety of topics.

In order to nurture trainees and young faculty, and foster enthusiasm amongst medical students and undergraduates, we have nine prizes to be awarded in 2017. These are:

- Best Abstract on Research by Young Faculty
- Best Abstract on Basic Science Research by a Trainee
- Best Abstract on Clinical or Epidemiology Research by a Trainee - *Phil Rosen Award*
- Best Abstract on Systemic Lupus Erythematosus (SLE) Research by a Trainee - *Ian Watson Award*
- Best Abstract by a Medical Student
- Best Abstract by a Postgraduate Resident

- Best Abstract by a Rheumatology Resident
- Best Abstract by an Undergraduate Student
- Best Abstract by a Postgraduate Research Trainee

Once again, there will be two interactive poster sessions for delegates to quiz the poster presenters and two podium sessions, which will include oral presentations of some of the best abstracts. Looking forward to seeing you there.

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