We are busy finalizing plans for the 25th anniversary celebration of SNRS in Jacksonville, Florida. Just a few reminders of important deadline dates and events.

- The abstract system will close for Late Breakers, Evidence-Based Research and Student submissions in just a few days, on **Monday, October 18, 2010, 5 PM Central time**.
  
  Abstracts are now being accepted for:
  
  - **Late-breaker** abstracts allow presentations of cutting-edge research which was not available at the time of the regular abstract deadline.
  - In addition, we are inviting our nurse scientists in practice (Magnet hospitals, VA nurse scientist training programs, etc.) to submit abstracts of research and evidence-based practice.
  - **Student abstracts** may be submitted by students currently enrolled in programs, as well as members who completed the work while a student (previous year). These abstracts must describe completed research (may be preliminary findings) or methodology abstracts (innovative methodologies). Dr. Jennifer Riggs has prepared a narrated PowerPoint presentation describing the abstract submission process. **Don't forget, students are required to obtain faculty advisor/mentor approval for their abstract submission. Click here for the form.**

- Don't forget about our special pre-conferences for the 2011 Annual Conference.
  
  - **Applications** will close on **Monday, November 1, 2010 for the NINR Pre-Conference Workshop, "Introduction to Research Grantsmanship for Early-Career Nurse Scientists."** Registration for the two workshop sessions will be limited to 40 participants per session. Applications are now being accepted.
  
  - The "Writing for Publication" Pre-Conference Workshop will be presented by Drs. Cindy Munro (Nursing Alumni Endowed Professor, VCU School of Nursing) and Demetrius Porche (Professor & Dean, LSU Health Sciences Center) on Wednesday, February 16, 2011 (morning session). Our two pre-conference speakers have had extensive experiences as nurse scientists, publishing, and serving as professional journal editors.
  
  - The Student Network is planning an exciting Pre-Conference Workshop for students to be held on Wednesday, February 16, 2011 in the afternoon session. **Stay tuned for more details.**

- **Mark your plans to join us in Jacksonville for SNRS 2011.**

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