

## **Ethical Considerations for Presentations at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Japanese Society of Pediatric Endocrinology**

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In recent years, it has become necessary to clarify ethical considerations when presenting abstracts at academic conferences. It is now required to comply with the relevant domestic laws, regulations, guidelines, etc. Japan Pediatric Society has issued "Ethical Considerations for Presentations at Scientific Meetings and Preparation of Abstracts" ([http://www.jpeds.or.jp/uploads/files/20150127\\_rinri.pdf](http://www.jpeds.or.jp/uploads/files/20150127_rinri.pdf)).

At the annual scientific meetings of the Japanese Society of Pediatric Endocrinology, presentations on research that requires the ethical approval need to be approved by an institutional ethical review board prior to abstract registration. "Case reports" for sharing information on outcome and prognosis of individual patients, in which medical care was taken exclusively for the purpose of diagnosis, prevention, and treatment, are not considered research, and in principle do not require ethical review. However, even in "case reports", please be careful in handling personal information and obtain consent from the subject/legal consentor when disclosing information that may lead to the identification of an individual. On the other hand, when several or more cases are put together to verify some hypothesis, it will be regarded as clinical research, and requires ethical review approval for presentations in scientific meetings. Even when it is a summary of a small number of cases, if it includes "comparison of mean values" of medical data, for example, it will be considered research. If you do not know the category of your abstract, please contact the Ethics Committee of the Japanese Society of Pediatric Endocrinology through the Society Secretariat (E-mail: [jspe@ac-square.co.jp](mailto:jspe@ac-square.co.jp)).

Regarding research conducted at institutions without an ethical review board and research by individual researchers, please obtain ethical approval from an ethical review board of alma maters, closely related regional institutions, medical associations, etc., as described in "Ethical Considerations for Presentations at Scientific Meetings and Preparation of Abstracts" of Japan Pediatric Society. If the ethical review approval has not been obtained one month before the presentation at the annual scientific meeting (at the time of preparation of the abstract book) even though the content is considered to require the approval, the abstract will be withdrawn in principle. If you do not voluntarily withdraw your abstract, your abstract may be rejected.

When registering your abstract, please check the boxes which apply.

- This presentation corresponds to a subject that requires the approval by an ethical review board.
  - Approved by an ethical review board.
  - Obtain ethical review approval at least one month prior to presentation.
  
- This presentation does not correspond to a subject that requires the approval by an ethical review board.
  - Case report
  - Others (research such as animal experiments that do not involve human subjects, research that uses only widely used cell lines, research that only analyzes papers and published databases,

etc.)