# FAQ: Research Presentation Submissions For Neurosurgery Applicants

# Is it a mandatory part of the application process to a neurosurgery residency to submit a video?

- No! It is NOT mandatory. It is <u>optional</u> and intended to allow those applicants who would like a chance to highlight their academic efforts the opportunity to do so. This may also provide a chance for programs to get to know applicants better.

## If not a requirement, what is the purpose of this effort?

- The goal of this initiative is to allow ALL applicants an equal opportunity to share their experience/interests with ALL programs who wish to see them.

#### What topic/topics should I present during my video?

You have the choice to present whatever you feel is best within the seven minutes. That may be one amazing project or a collection of related projects, it may be a research article, it may be a clinical series, it may be a quality initiative, or it may be a case report. The goal is to give you the flexibility to show your experience/interests as you see best, just as it would be if you were on a Sub-I... it is up to you.

# Can my talk be 10 min long?

No. Your talk cannot, in any way, for even one second, go over seven (7) minutes. If it is 7 minutes and 1 second, it will not be posted. We recommend you stay comfortably under the limit.

# Where can I find the detailed instructions of how to proceed and submit my video?

You can find those instructions at: https://www.societyns.org/presentation-guidelines

#### How should I dress?

- Formal business attire or white coat is recommended. Dress as you would for a Sub-I presentation.

## Can I just talk without slides?

- No. You must use some presentation software such as PowerPoint, Prezi, Canva, etc.

#### Can I submit multiple talks?

- No. Only one presentation is permitted per applicant.

#### Is there a minimum or maximum number of slides I can use?

No. There are no minimum or maximum number of slides, as long as the presentation duration is within seven minutes.

#### How should I title the file of my video?

- You should title the file as follows: MEDICALSCHOOL\_LASTNAME\_FIRSTNAME

## When is my file due to be submitted?

- Your submission MUST be submitted by November; , 2020. If submitted after November; , then we cannot ensure they will be uploaded in a timely fashion.

## Where should I send my video?

- You should send your video to <u>BOTH alyssa.melillo@mountsinai.org</u> and jillian.beroza@mountsinai.org.

#### Are the rules for submission flexible at all?

- No. If any of the rules regarding submission are not followed, then the video will not be uploaded.

## What if the file size is too large for conventional email attachment?

- No problem. If the file is too large for conventional email, downloadable links may be emailed (i.e. Google Drive, Dropbox, SharePoint, etc.). Please ensure that the links are not password-protected and easily accessible. Non-accessible links will not be published.

# How will I know my video was received?

- You receive confirmation via email. Please send a follow-up email if you do not receive confirmation within 3 business days of submission.