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## Predictive Analytics for Effective Poster Design

Attention Analysis Simulation of Scientific Posters Aligns Authors' Intent With Viewers' Focus

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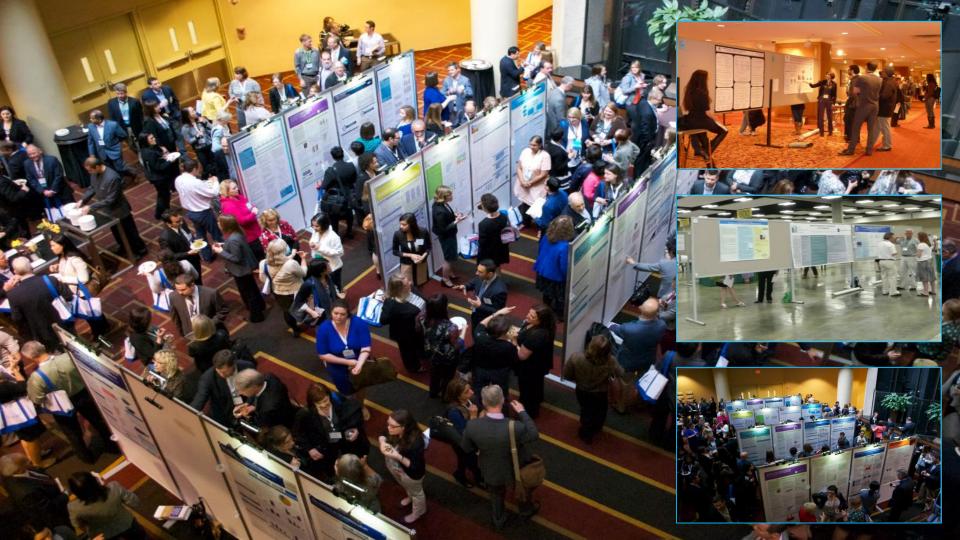


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## **Objectives of Our Research**

Simulate an audience's visual attention to facilitate development of scientific posters that align viewers' focus with authors' key communication goals

Simulate the visual attention of health care practitioners at a medical meeting

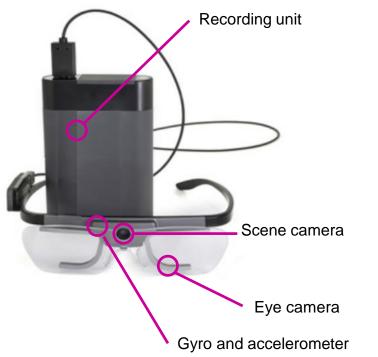
Ensure poster designs communicate effectively

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## **Machine Learning Algorithms Can Simulate Attention**

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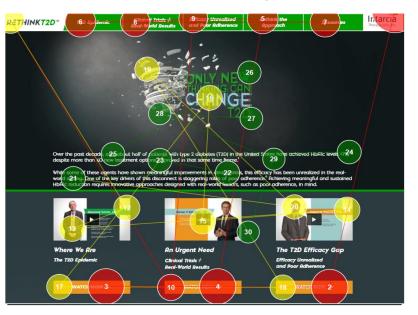


## **Applications Help Understand Consumer Behavior**

## Package Design and Shelf Layout



## Website Design





## **Research Design and Methods**

- Collected 16 poster handouts from recent ISMPP annual conferences
- Entered them into machine learning algorithms
  - Simulates eye-tracking session (initial 7.5 seconds) with 91% accuracy

## Results were then collated for each poster using 5 interrelated attention analysis reports



#### GAZE PLOT

#### Medical Information Access Preferences: 24 a Survey of Physician Assistants and Nurse Practitioners

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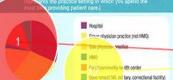
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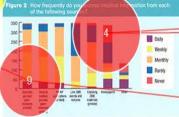
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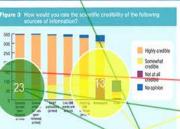
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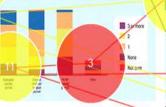
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#### D. More Timely Access of Web-based Medical Information

The growing influence of Web-based information is reflected in the practices of both PAs and NPs as they access medical information via the Web with greater frequency than they do traditional medical journals (Figure 5).

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#### CONCLUSIONS

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- When it comes to timeliness of information, PAs and NPs are much more likely to access medical information daily or weekly via the internet.
- Specialty and evidence based-medicine Web sites are highly regarded and accessed frequently, as are sites such as www.epocrates.com and www.uplodate.com. For medical publishers and Web sites, these findings offer opportunities to broaden their reach to include this growing clinical audience.
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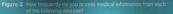




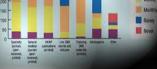
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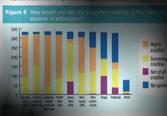
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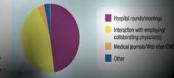
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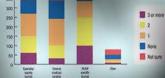
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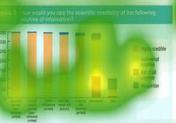
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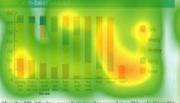


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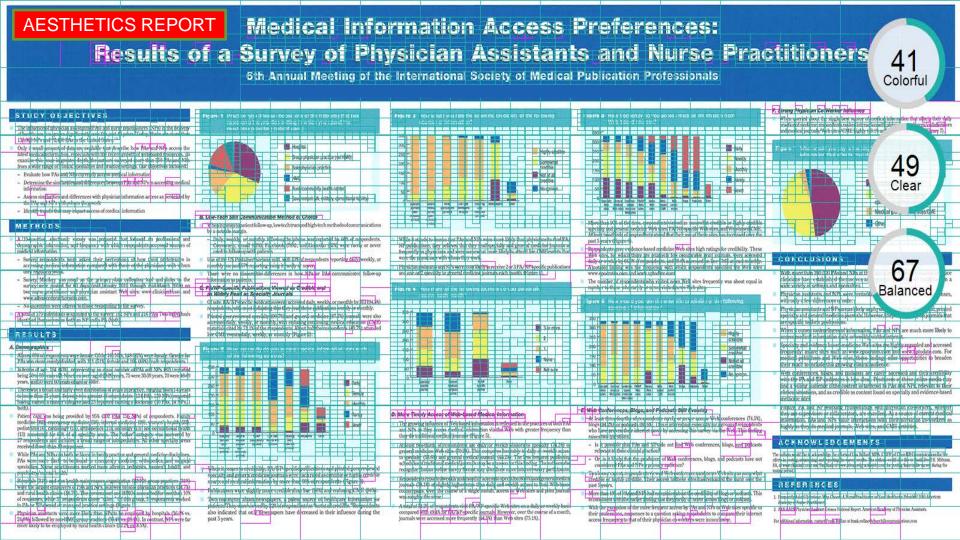
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#### STUDY OBJECTIVES

- The influence of physician assistants (PAs) and nurse practitioners (NPs) in the delivery of healthcare has grown significantly over the past 40 years. Today, there are more than 135,000 NPs and 72,400 PAs in the United States.<sup>10</sup>
- Only a small amount of data are available that describe how PAs and NPs access the latest medical information, especially with the recent growth of web-based resources. To examine this issue in greater depth, the authors surveyed more than 350 PAs and NPs from a wide range of clinical specialities and practice settings. Our objectives included:
- Evaluate how PAs and NPs currently access medical information
- Determine the similarities and differences between PAs and NPs in accessing medical information
- Assess similarities and differences with physician information access as perceived by the PAs and NPs with whom they work
- Identify trends that may impact access of medical information

#### METHODS

- A 19-question, electronic survey was prepared that focused on professional and demographic information, and frequency with which respondents accessed sources of medical information.
- Survey respondents were asked their perceptions of how their preferences in accessing medical information compared with those of the physicians with whom they regularly work.
- Survey Monkey was used as the primary data collection tool and links to the survey were posted for 60 days (mid-January 2010 through mid-March 2010) on two nurve practitioner and physician assistant Web sites: www.clinician1.com and www.advancedpracticejobs.com.
- No incentives were offered to those responding to the survey.
- A total of 379 individuals responded to the survey: 161 NPs and 216 PAs. Two individuals identified themselves as both an NP and a PA (both).

#### RESULTS

#### A. Demographics

- Almost 68% of respondents were female. Of the 161 NPs, 148 (92%) were female. Gender for PAs was more evenly divided, with 111 (51%) female and 105 (49%) male respondents.
- In terms of age, 164 (430), representing an equal number of PAs and NPs (82), reported being 50 to 59 years old. Nineteen were aged 20/29 years, 75 were 30/39 years, 70 were 40/49 years, and 50 were 60 years of age or older.
- There was a broad and fairly even distribution of years in practice, ranging from 14 years to more than 25 years. Seventy-two percent of respondents (134 PAs, 139 NPs) reported having earned a master's degree and 25 reported earning a doctorate (10 PAs, 14 NPs, 1 both).
- Patient care was being provided by 956 (202 PA), 155 NPi) of respondents. Family medicine 8(2), emergency modifies (60), internal medicine (22), wennels health (23), pediatries (16), entrology (15), entropedies (15), encodege (13), and occupational health (23) accounted for 656 of all specially areas. The "other" entropy was answered by 97 respondents and included a lowad range of subspecialities. All other specially areas received fewer than 10 response.
- While PAs and NPs can both be found in family practice and general medicine disciplines, PAs were more likely to be found in emergency medicine, orthopedics, and surgical speciables. Nurse practitioners worked more often in pediatries, women's health, and psychiatry/mental health.
- Hospitals (318) and non-batth maintenance organization (HMO) group practices (313) were the largest employers of PAs and NFs, followed by solo physician practices (14.79), and rural basht chinics (14.79). The government and HMOs accounted for less than 10% of responses, while 37 respondents chose: "dute," Of this group, 5 respondents worked in PA- or NP-work or managed practice settings (Figure 1).
- Physician assistants were more likely than NPs to be employed by hospitals (36.0% vs. 24.88), followed by non-HMO group practices (33.4% vs. 28.18), in contrast, NPs were far more likely to be employed by rural health clinics (22.2% vs. 8.5%).



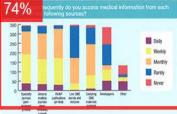


#### B. Low-Tech Still Communication Method of Choice

- When it comes to patient follow-up, low-tech trumped high-tech methods of communications by a notable margin.
- Daily, weekly, or monthly follow-up by phone was reported by 66% of respondents. Conversely, e-mail (62%), Facebook (78%), and Linkedin (82%) were rarely or never used to follow-up with patients.
- Use of the US Postal service was split, with 43% of respondents reporting daily, weekly, or monthly use and 57% reporting using it rarely or never.
- There were no discernible differences in how NPs or PAs communicated followup information to patients.

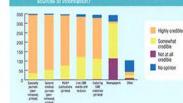
#### C. PA/NP-Specific Publications Viewed as Credible and as Widely Read as Specialty Journals

- Of note, PA/NP-specific publications were accessed daily, weekly, or monthly by 313 (94.5%) respondents, with most indicating that they read these publications weekly or monthly.
- Printed peer-reviewed specialty (90.7%) and general medicine (87.7%) journals were also accessed daily, weekly, or monthy, with enduring confining medical education (CME) materials cited by 71.1% of the respondents. About half the respondents (49.7%) attended live CME sevents daily, weekly, or monthly (Figure 2).

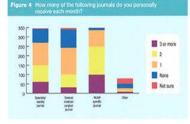


- When it comes to credibility, PA/NP-specific publications and printed peer-reviewed specialty and general medicine journals were each rated as credible or highly credible sources of medical information by more than 98% of respondents (Figure 3).
- Publications were slightly more credible than live (96%) and enduring CME (94%).
- Two comments about newspapers, a prime source of healthcare information for patients, They were viewed by 32% of respondents as "not at all credible," Respondents also indicated that only newspapers have decreased in their influence during the past 5 years.

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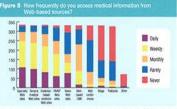


- While it stands to reason that PAs and NPs were more likely than physicians to read PA/ NP publications, they believed that they read specially and general medicine journals as frequently as physicians and were somewhat more likely to attend live CME events than were the physicians with whom they work.
- Physician assistants and NPs were most likely to receive 2 or 3 PA/NP-specific publications and one or 2 specialty or general medicine journals each month (Figure 4).

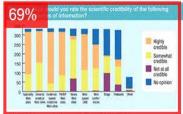


#### D. More Timely Access of Web-based Medical Information

- The growing influence of Web-based information is reflected in the practices of both PAs and NPs as they access medical information via the Web with greater frequency than they do traditional medical journals (Figure 5).
- At least two-blirds of respondents are duly or weekly visitors to specially (74.50) or general medicine Web vites (70.99). This compares horolably to duly or weekly access to specially (55.66) and general medical journals (46.27). The less frequent publishing schedules of traditional medical journals (46.27). The less frequent publishing recognize that an on-line survey format may also dream work in the steason for this finding. The unbrow shore-compares that no on-line survey format may also dream work in the steason public dream public drea
- Respondents reported weekly and monthly access to specialty (80.0%) and general medical journals (78.1%) at slightly higher rates than daily and weekly access to their Web-based counterparts. Over the course of a single month, access to Web sites and print journals was roughly the same.
- A total of 54.2% of respondents visit PA/NE-specific Web sites on a daily or weekly basis compared with 49.4% for PA/NP-specific journals. However, over the course of a month, journals were accessed more frequently (94.5%) than Web sites (75.1%).



- More than 90% of the time, respondents viewed as somewhat credible or highly credible specially and general medicine. Web sites, PA/NP-specific Web sites, and Web-based CME. At least two thirds of respondents stated that their use of these sites has increased over the past 5 years (Figure 6).
- Respondents gave evidence-based medicine Web sites high ratings for credibility. These Web sites, for which there are relatively few comparable print journals, were accessed daily or weekly by 66.0% of respondents, and 60.0% accessed on-line CME at least monthly. A notable finding was the frequency with which respondents specified the Web sites www.epcortacts.com and www.apddate.com.
- The number of respondents who visited news Web sites frequently was about equal in number to those who rarely or never visited news Web sites.

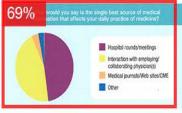


#### E. Web Conferences, Blogs, and Podcasts Still Evolving

- At least three-fourths of respondents rarely or never access Web conferences (74.5%), blogs (84.2%), or podcasts (88.8%). This is interesting, especially for a group of respondents who have proven their internet sawy by accessing this survey via the Web. This finding misses two questions.
- Is it possible that PAs and NPs do not find Web conferences, blogs, and podcasts relevant to their clinical practice?
- Or, is it likely that the producers of Web conferences, blogs, and podcasts have not considered PAs and NPs a primary audience?
- To a lesser extent, respondents viewed Web conferences and news Web sites as somewhat credible or highly credible. Their access to these sites has remained the same over the past 5 years.
- More than 40% of PAs and NPs had no opinion about the credibility of blogs or podcasts. This is consistent with the earlier finding that they rarely or never access blogs or podcasts.
- With the exception of the more frequent access by PAs and NPs to Web sites specific to their professions, responses to a question asking respondents to compare their internet access frequency to that of their physician co-workers were inconclusive.

#### F. Strong Physician Co-Worker Influence

When queried about the single best source of medical information that affects their daily practice of medicine, respondents malted interaction with physician employers/collaborators and medical journals/Web sites/CME highly (48.1% and 48.8% respectively) (Figure 7).



#### CONCLUSIONS

- With more than 200,000 PAs and NPs in the United States, these advanced practice clinicians have established themselves as important providers of healthcare in a wide variety of settings and specialties.
- Physician assistants and NPs were remarkably similar in most of their responses, with only a few differences of note.
- Physician assistants and NPs are as likely as physicians to rely on traditional, printed specialty and general medicine journals. However, they rely heavily on journals that are specific to their professions.
- When it comes to timeliness of information, PAs and NPs are much more likely to access medical information daily or weekly via the internet.
- Specially and evidence based-medicine Web sites are highly regarded and accessed frequently, as are sites such as www.epocrates.com and www.uptodate.com. For medical publishers and Web sites, these findings offer opportunities to broaden their reach to include this growing clinical audience.
- Web conferences, blogs, and podeasts are rarely accessed and their credibility with the PA and NP audiences is less clear. Producers of these online media may find a willing audience if the content is targeted to PAs and NPs, relevant to their clinical atuations, and as credible as content found on specialty and evidence-based medicine sites.
- Finally, PA and NP working relationships with physician co-workers, whether they are supervisors or collaborators, are excellent. As a source of current medical information, PAs and NPs value interactions with their physician coworkers as highly as they do medical journals, Web sites, and CME activities.

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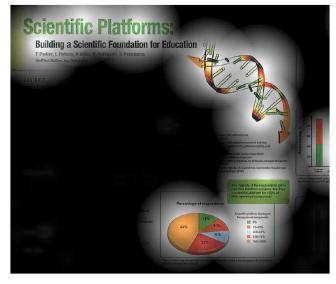


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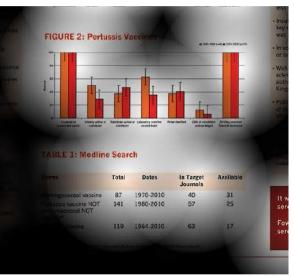
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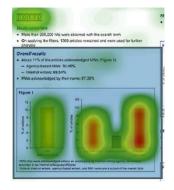


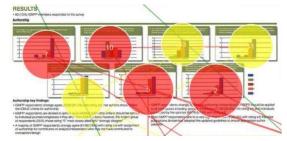


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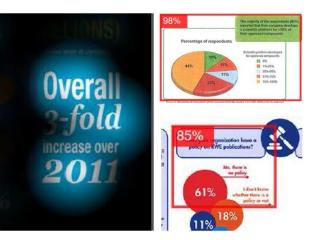


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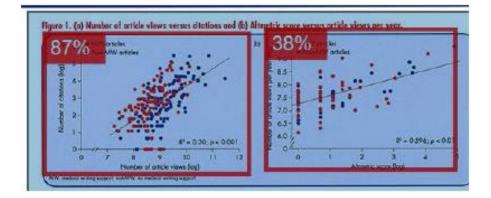
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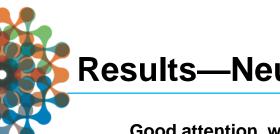


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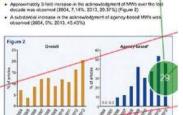
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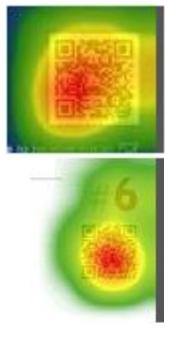


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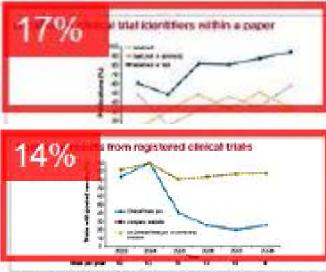
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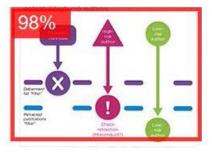
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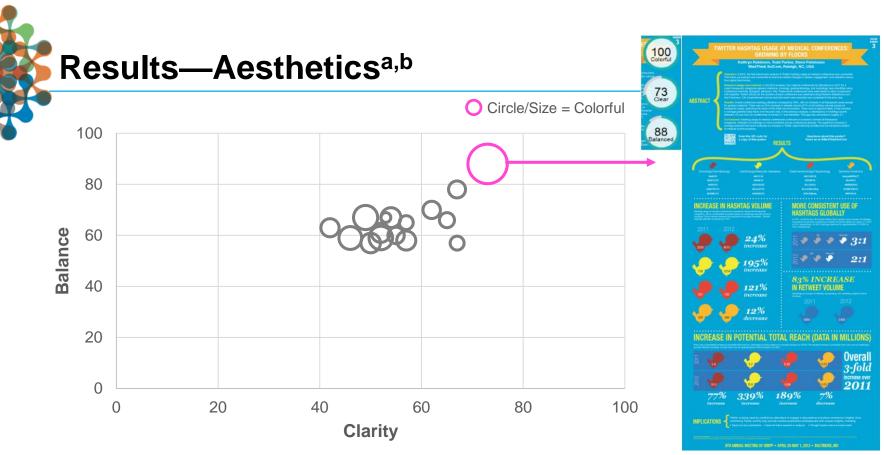


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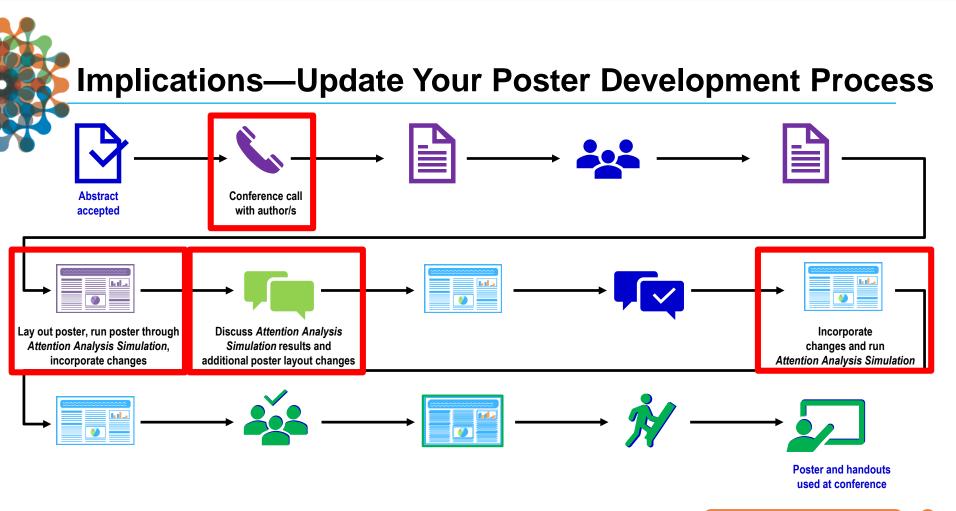
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