## **ACNP Study Group Guidelines**

## DEADLINE for Proposals from ACNP Members: March 28, 2013 at 11:59 PM CT. DEADLINE for Individual Abstracts: April 10, 2013 at 11:59 PM CT. DEADLINE for Panel and Study Group Chairs to Review and Finalize Session: April 17, 2013 at 11:59 PM CT.

Study Groups will only be on one night and will be issue-oriented. Examples are topics relating to ethics or policy matters.

A proposal for a study group:

- Study groups are informal with more audience participation than panels. Individual participants do not have a set time to speak, but rather talk informally among themselves with the audience. To foster this atmosphere, it is strongly recommended that each participant utilize no more than 3 slides.
- Must include an ACNP member as the chair of the session.
- Should be planned for a one and one-half hour time period, from 7:30 p.m. 9:00 p.m.
- There is a limit of 3200 characters for the text of your abstract submission. This includes title (250 characters) and proposal body (2950 characters), as well as all spaces.
- Study Groups will most likely be on the evening of Monday, December 9<sup>th</sup>, but will be scheduled on the assumption that all <u>participants agree to be available on all days</u> of the Annual Meeting. Those with proposed sessions should verify that their participants will be available at all times throughout the meeting.
- A maximum of \$4,000 will be available to support travel for non-member participant expenses. No honoraria can be paid from these funds.
- Nonmembers who received financial support for participation during the 2012 Annual Meeting are not eligible to receive financial support in 2013. Chairs must inform non-members of this policy.
- Registration fees are waived for non-member participants, but they still must complete and submit the meeting registration form.
- Audiovisual equipment available for every study group: laptop, LCD projector, laser pointer, podium, and microphone.