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# Communicator

## Call for Abstracts for IMTRC 2019

**The Massage Therapy Foundation is excited to announce that the Call for Abstracts is now open for our International Massage Therapy Research Conference (IMTRC) to be held May 9-10, 2019, in Alexandria, Virginia.**

**IMTRC provides an opportunity to learn the latest research, connect with colleagues, and gain insight into best practices in massage therapy.** Held every three years, this important conference brings together thought leaders and educators to discuss massage therapy innovations.

**Are you involved in massage therapy research?** Submit an abstract for consideration and forward this email to other researchers who may be interested. Visit [www.massagetherapyfoundation.com/IMTRC-2019](http://www.massagetherapyfoundation.com/IMTRC-2019) to download the guidelines and application.

Please reach out to us at [IMTRC@massagetherapyfoundation.org](mailto:IMTRC@massagetherapyfoundation.org) with any questions.

Abstract submission deadline is **July 27, 2018**



*Thank you to our IMTRC 2019 Presenting Sponsor, AMTA*

## AMTA Convention: Visit Massage Therapy Foundation at Booth #412



Are you headed to the AMTA 2018 National Convention in Washington D.C.? **Visit us in booth #412!**

**Learn more** about our initiatives to help you increase your research knowledge and improve your practice. Pick up copies of our new massage research infographics to display in your client waiting area.

**We have awesome MTF T-Shirts available for a \$20 donation.** Limited quantities available.

We look forward to seeing you there!

## MTF Baseball Fundraiser

**Nationals Park is the place to be on Wednesday, August 8! Come see the 2017 NL East Champions, Washington Nationals, play the Atlanta Braves. The game will begin at 7:05 p.m.**

**It's easy to get there via public transit.** Board the train at the Woodley Park-Zoo Metro Station (conveniently located right in front of the Convention hotel), then transfer from the red to green line at the Chinatown stop. The green line will let you off at the Navy Yard/Ballpark station, which is directly in front of the park. The trip is approximately 30 minutes.

**Pre-purchased tickets will be available for pick up the day of the event** in the AMTA registration area between 11am-5pm or at the box office at Nationals Park after 6pm.

To purchase tickets click here: [Ballgame Tickets](#) or call 847-905-1635. Tickets are going fast and limited tickets will be available for purchase onsite.



## Downloadable Research Posters

**Did you know that we now have downloadable research posters available on our website?** If you are a "visual person" or want to share research in a colorful and engaging way this is a great place to start!

[Click here to visit our Research Poster page.](#)

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Through *IJTMB*, the Foundation provides **peer-reviewed case reports and scientific information free of charge** to therapists, students, medical professionals, patients, and anyone else who may be interested in the science behind therapeutic massage.

**Check out our most recent issue here and share with your colleagues:** [Vol 11, No 2 \(2018\)](#)

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## Student Case Report Contest



Are you a current massage therapy student with a case report to share? **Student Case Report submission dates are changing** in order to accommodate students who graduate between June and September. Students must still submit before graduation date, but the contest will accept applications year-round. Applications will still be reviewed once per year.

**Apply here:** <http://massagetherapyfoundation.org/grants-and-contests/case-report-contest/>

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