CSIM Abstract Submission
Information on Anonymizing Abstracts

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- Photographs showing face or unique identifiers
- Dates of admission/service
- Birth date

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