

## Case Study Paper and Poster Presentation Information

### AWHONN 2013 Convention: “Champion Excellence in the Care of Women and Newborns”

A case study presentation is an in-depth study and analysis of an actual complicated or “rare occurrence” patient care case or practice situation which poses unique challenges with an identified nursing focus. **Submissions are peer reviewed blindly.**

Any reference to names of patients, providers, facilities or organizations must be deleted or blinded to protect confidentiality. In addition, customary practice is to alter non-essential descriptors to avoid inadvertent identification of individuals. For example, a 34 year old woman may be described as 36; or of Belgian descent instead of German descent, assuming that her exact age and descent are not relevant to her clinical state. Case write-ups must not contain identifying information or in any way violate HIPAA regulations. The case under discussion cannot be under current litigation. **Authors must confirm that they have complied with these requirements.**

Applicants can indicate a preference to present orally in a paper session or as a poster. Only those with speaking experience should select “paper”. All those interested in presenting orally are encouraged to indicate a willingness to display a poster if not selected for oral presentation. There are a limited number of slots available for oral presentation, and our poster room is extremely well attended. Arguably more attendees are exposed to your work there than in an oral presentation, which competes with seven other sessions.

#### Criteria for Selection

- Complements convention goal and objectives
- Clear overview of the case and identified problems
- Timeliness
- Likely attendee interest in the case
- Evidence of interdisciplinary problem-solving
- Description of patient or practice outcomes as ‘lessons learned’
- Content free of commercial bias
- Application/implications for nursing practice reflective of current evidence-based research

#### Goal and Objectives

The goal of the 2013 AWHONN Annual Convention is to empower learners to *champion excellence in the care of women and newborns*.

At the conclusion of the convention learners will be able to:

- Integrate improvement science into practice.
- Experience inspiration and professional growth.
- Strengthen collaborations.

#### Submission Process

To expedite the submission process, gather required components before entering the Speaker Management System. You will be asked to provide the following:

- **Title:** Should spark interest, yet still clearly reflect the content. The title should be a concise statement of the main topic. Sample titles: *Terrorism and the Obstetrical Patient: A Success Story from Iraq; A Case Study of Thyroid Storm in Pregnancy.*
- **Submitter’s Email:** If there is more than one submitter, list the email address of the primary contact.

- **Presentation Format:** You will be asked to indicate your preference to present as a paper which is a 30 minute oral presentation, or as a poster. Only those with speaking experience should select “paper”. If you select “paper”, you are required to list three recent speaking engagements of presenting authors, including the audience size and composition. You will also be asked if you are willing to present as a poster if your abstract is not selected as a paper.
- **Brief Description:** This is 2-3 sentences, no more than 75 words, intended for posting on the convention website or other program materials to let attendees know what the session is about. You want them to attend your session, this should stimulate interest. Sample descriptions:
  - *Reports on terrorism often emphasize chemical, biological and radiological events but most attacks involve explosive devices. Those affected can include pregnant women, one of the most complicated situations a multi-disciplinary team is challenged with, especially in the face of limited obstetrical and neonatal resources. This case study will reveal a nurses’ experience involving a pregnant victim of a terrorist attack in a war torn country and the success story that ensued.*
  - *This presentation will relay the story of one woman's amazing tale of survival after an amniotic fluid embolism. Through this case presentation, the associated pathophysiology, clinical manifestations and treatment of amniotic fluid embolism will be discussed. As a result of a multidisciplinary team effort, that blended the diverse knowledge and expertise of nurses, obstetricians, anesthesia personnel, blood bank technicians and trauma surgeons, two lives were saved.*
- **Three Behavioral Objectives:** This is what the learner should be able to do on completing your session. Sample objectives:
  - *Describe the multisystem effects of end stage renal disease on pregnancy.*
  - *Define the interdisciplinary needs of pregnancy complicated with end stage renal failure.*
  - *Distinguish the psychosocial needs of a culturally diverse family within a large system with alterations in family bonding.*
- **Teaching Delivery Methods:** You will be asked to select from a list of delivery methods; the methods you choose should be appropriate for the content and objectives.
- **Pharmacology Content:** You will be asked to estimate how many minutes you will spend discussing medications during your presentation.
- **Bibliography:** Reviewers want to see the scientific or academic basis for your presentation, the sources for your assertions. You will be asked to provide at least five references, preferably from peer reviewed journals. At least three of them must be current as of the last five years. APA format recommended: <http://www.apastyle.org/> . The bibliography should not be included in the text of the abstract (see abstract instructions below): A sample bibliography follows:
  - *Black, M.C. & Breiding, M. J. ( 2008). Adverse Health Conditions and Health Risk Behaviors Associated with Intimate Partner Violence- United States, 2005. Mortality and Morbidity Weekly, 57 (5), 113-117.*
  - *Coker, A.L. (2007). Does physical intimate partner violence affect sexual health?: A systematic review. Trauma, Violence, & Abuse, 8, 149-177.*
  - *Frost, J.J., Singh, S., Finer, L.B. (2007). U.S. women’s one-year contraceptive use patterns, 2004. Perspectives on Sexual and Reproductive Health, 39, 48-55.*
  - *Miller, E., Decker, M.R., McCauley, H.L. Tancredi, D.J., Levenson, R.R., Waldman, J., Schoenwald, P., & Silverman, J.G. (2010). Pregnancy coercion, intimate partner violence, and unintended pregnancy. Contraception, 81, 316-322.*
  - *Schreiber, C.A., Whittington, S., Cen, L., & Maslankowski. L. (2011). Good intentions: Risk factors for pregnancy in the US cohort of a microbicide trial. Contraception, 83, 74-81.*
  - *Silverman, J., McCauley, H.L., Decker, M.R., Miller, E., Reed, E., & Raj, A. (2011). Coercive forms of sexual risk and associated violence perpetrated by male partners of female adolescents. Perspectives on Sexual and Reproductive Health, 43, 60-65.*

- **Content Outline:** To determine if the content is congruent with your description, title and objectives, you will be asked to provide the outline for your presentation. If you have indicated you prefer making an oral presentation, you must indicate how many minutes you will spend on each component of the outline. Make sure that the time allotted for each component totals 30 minutes. If you have specified that you will discuss medications, please detail in your outline. All content must be free of commercial bias and/or product or program promotion. Sample objectives with appropriate outline:

Learning Objectives:

1. Cite three risks or predisposing factors that may increase the likelihood for myocardial infarction during pregnancy.
2. Identify three considerations in caring for a pregnant woman with cardiac disease.
3. Specify two treatment options for pregnant women who experience a myocardial infarction.

Content Outline:

1. Introduction (admission to diagnosis). (10 mins total)
  1. Clinical Presentation: 41-year-old female G3P2 presents to L&D at 35 wks gestation c/o chest pain, medical history (3 mins)
  2. Initial course of action: Assessment in L&D, EKG, labs, catheterization lab. (4 mins)
  3. Differential Diagnosis and Diagnosis: Aortic aneurysm vs. myocardial infarction. (3 mins)
2. Myocardial Infarction in Pregnancy. (7 mins total)
  1. Signs and symptoms (2 mins)
  2. Risk/Predisposing Factors (2 mins)
  3. Treatment options (3 mins)
3. Treatment and Outcome. (10 mins total)
  1. Patient transferred to ICU/Telemetry. (2 mins)
  2. Multidisciplinary Meeting (3 mins)
  3. Delivery, complications and outcome. (5 mins)
4. Questions (3 mins)

- **Disciplines:** You will be asked to check off the focus area or areas covered in your presentation.
- **Confirmation:** You will be asked to check a box confirming that:
  - you have protected patient confidentiality
  - the case is not under litigation.
  - you have supervisory approval
- **Author Information:** You will be asked to provide contact information, credentials and affiliations for all authors. In addition you must include a short biosketch (limited to 200 words). If the submission is accepted for oral presentation, the biosketches of presenting authors will be read aloud to attendees. The focus of the biosketch should be what makes you qualified to present the topic. This is an example of the author's biosketch for a case study presentation of a diagnosis of breast cancer while breastfeeding.

Ms. Nolson has worked in a level 3 NICU for over 25 years and in the hospital's breastfeeding clinic for eleven years. She provides a wide range of breastfeeding support for families from basic care to challenging lactation cases such as difficulty latching, mastitis and follow up support for premature infants post discharge from the NICU. She holds a special interest in providing breastfeeding support for women with complicated medical histories, particularly breast cancer.

- **CV/Resume:** All presenting authors must upload a current CV or resume.
- **CNE Disclosure:** All authors must disclose any relevant personal, professional or financial relationships with a commercial interest producing, marketing or selling health care goods or services consumed by or used on patients. All real or potential conflicts of interest will be evaluated and resolved by program committee members to ensure the presentation is free of commercial bias. Learners will be informed as to the presence or absence of conflicts of interest prior to the start of your session, typically as a slide for oral presentations and signage for posters. In addition, you must also indicate whether you will include discussion of off label drug or device use.
- **Abstract Text**  
You will be asked to submit a narrative summary of your talk, limited to 400 words. If your submission is accepted, this abstract will be included in a conference proceedings supplement to the *Journal of Obstetric, Gynecologic & Neonatal Nursing (JOGNN)* and will be edited prior to publication. The abstract is used by reviewers to assess your approach to the topic, your grasp of the current state of practice and science, and the level of sophistication of the presentation. You can create the abstract in Word first and then cut and paste into the Speaker Management System. Your abstract must be structured to include the following elements:
  - Background: Importance of the subject matter and specific purpose of the report
  - Case(s): Summary of pertinent features of the clinical findings, important laboratory abnormalities, interdisciplinary interventions, treatment, and outcome
  - Conclusion/Implications for nursing practice reflective of current evidence-based research.
  - Keywords: 3-6 key terms that can be used to index your abstract

Your abstract should not include a reference list, in text citations, tables, or bulleted lists. If you include these elements, they will be removed prior to publication. Please use acronyms and abbreviations sparingly if at all. If you do use an acronym or abbreviation, write it out on first use followed by the acronym in parenthesis; use the acronym only thereafter.

### Tips and Timeline

You do not have to complete the submission in one sitting. You can click “save and continue” at the end of a page and get back to the submission by using your log-in number. If the system will not let you save the content because you have not completed the entire page, you can simply fill in a place holder such as “to be determined” and come back to that field at another time.

**All submissions must be completed by September 10, 2012;** you will be notified of the Program Committee’s decision in November, 2012.

### If Your Submission Is Selected for Presentation

All accepted submissions will appear in a convention proceedings supplement. In addition submitters are eligible for the prestigious Outstanding Case Study Paper or Poster Award presented at a designated time during convention.

Paper presenters will be provided an LCD projector, computer, screen and lectern with microphone. No other audio/visual equipment will be provided or may be used. Each paper session will be limited to **30 minutes**, which should include time at the end for questions and answers. A **maximum of two people** can present a paper. *AWHONN does not permit use of flipcharts, overheads, or videocassettes during paper presentations.*

Posters are put on display in a room or foyer for attendees’ viewing from Sunday evening, June 16, 2013 through Tuesday late afternoon, June 18, 2013 Presenters are expected to be at their posters and available for questions during specified times. Attendees can earn a maximum of 5.0 contact hours by

viewing posters. Selected poster presenters will be provided with a chair and a 4ft. high X 8ft. wide corkboard. Posters should be no larger than 46 ½ inches high and 93 ¾ wide. Electrical outlets will not be available. A ***maximum of two people*** may present a poster.

**Presenters will be responsible for their own travel and all expenses related to their presentation.**

All presenters are required to register to attend the convention and will be eligible for a \$75 discount off of full convention registration fees.

**Questions or Concerns**

If you should have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Carolyn Schick, Education Program Specialist, by phone at 202-261-1462 or by email at [cschick@awhonn.org](mailto:cschick@awhonn.org).