

Research Paper and Poster Presentation Information

AWHONN 2018 Convention

Research paper and poster presentations are original and pertain to completed research related to women's health, obstetric and/or neonatal practice, education or administration. All researchers must have completed the data analysis stage before submission of the abstract, with research outcomes clearly described.

Indicate a preference to present orally in a paper session, or as a poster. Only those with speaking experience should select paper. All applicants 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. All accepted submissions will appear in an online convention proceedings supplement.

Criteria for Selection

- Research study complements the convention goal and objectives
- Relevant problem statement/purpose/question or hypothesis, clearly and succinctly written
- Literature and conceptual framework (if indicated based on the type of research) provide the background and support the significance of the study
- Methodology:
 - Design and procedure appropriate based on the research question or purpose
 - Sample/subjects adequate
 - Measurement/data gathering strategies clearly described and defined
 - Data analysis appropriate based on the study design, data obtained and the study problem statement/purpose/question or hypothesis
 - Discussion/interpretation/evaluation of results is appropriate
- Application/implications for women's health, obstetric or neonatal nursing practice, education or future research are addressed
- Internal Review Board (IRB) approval or exemption obtained
- Content free of commercial bias

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: Title needs to clearly reflect the content. The title should be a concise statement of the main topic. Consider using searchable terms.

Submitter's Email: If there is more than one submitter, list the email address of the primary contact.

Presentation Format: Indicate your preference to present a 30 minute oral paper presentation or a poster. Only those with speaking experience should select paper. If you select paper, you are asked 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 paper or poster is about. This should generate interest in attending your session if chosen for an oral presentation.

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. You will be asked to provide at least 5 references, preferably from peer reviewed journals, published guidelines and other credible sources. **At least 3 of them must be current as of the last 5 years.** APA format required: <http://www.apastyle.org/>.

Disciplines: Select the main discipline and any additional disciplines that apply from the options of obstetric, neonatal, professional issues and women's health.

Learning Activity Form: You will be asked to complete a Learning Activity Form that includes Learning outcomes, content outline, time frames and teaching methods. Enter N/A for time frame and teaching methods if submitting for poster only presentation.

- **Three Learning Outcomes:** This is what the learner should be able to do upon completing your session.
- **Content Outline:** Reviewers want to determine if the content is congruent with your outcomes. You will be asked to provide an outline of the content for each outcome.
- **Time Frame:** State the time frame for each outcome.
- **Teaching Methods:** The methods you choose should be appropriate for the content and outcomes such as lecture/slides, Q&A/discussion or other as appropriate.

Author Information: 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.

CV/Resume: All 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 within the last 12 months. All real or potential conflicts of interest will be evaluated and resolved 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 as a slide for oral presentations and signage for posters.

Abstract Text: Submit a narrative summary of your talk, limited to 250 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. Therefore, the abstract should be complete, accurate, and professionally presented. 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. Your abstract must be structured to include the following elements:

- Objective (Problem statement or research hypothesis)
- Design
- Setting
- Patients/Participants
- Methods
- Results (Data analysis)
- Conclusion/Implications for nursing practice
- Keywords (3-6 key terms that can be used to index your abstract)

Please note: Write your abstract in complete sentences and provide text for each of the sections mentioned above. 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. When acronyms and abbreviations are used, write them out on first use followed by the acronym in parenthesis; use the acronym only thereafter. AWHONN reserves the right to copyedit abstracts prior to publication.

Additional Information

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 no later than 11:59pm (Eastern time) on September 10, 2017; you will be notified of the Committee’s decision in November 2017.

If Your Submission Is Selected for Presentation

All accepted submissions will appear in an online convention proceedings supplement. 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.

Posters are put on display for attendees' viewing from Sunday evening, June 24, 2018 through Tuesday late afternoon, June 26, 2018. Presenters are required to be at their posters and available for questions during specified times. 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 inches 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 full convention registration fees.

Questions or Concerns

If you should have any questions or concerns, please contact Carolyn Vanderwyst, Manager of Education Programs, by phone at 202-261-1462 or by email at cvanderwyst@awhonn.org.