

46th International Mental Health Nursing Conference

2020 Vision: Mental Health Nursing in Focus

ABSTRACT GUIDELINES

Please read the abstract format carefully for each of the awards below.

Presenters will not be able to put their presentation forward for these awards at any time other than during the abstract submission process.

Abstract guidelines:

Abstracts should address the conference theme and be submitted in accordance with the abstract submission guidelines. All abstract presentations at conference will be 15 minutes for presentation and 5 minutes for questions, a total of 20 minutes.

Submitting abstracts:

Please submit your abstract before the closing date indicated below. If you submit an abstract for consideration, the presenter/s must register and pay to attend the Conference.

IMPORTANT DATES

Abstracts submission opens	Friday 14 February 2020
Abstracts submission closes	Friday 27 March 2020
Notification to authors	Friday 8 May 2020
Author acceptance due	Friday 15 May 2020
Draft program available	Friday 29 May 2020

ALL ABSTRACTS - Abstract Length

Abstracts must be **350 words** (no longer) including reference list. If references are included in the body of the abstract, a reference list must be provided within the existing word limit. Please use APS format for all references.

Title of your presentation

Please consider how the theme relates to your planned presentation. Length is 15 words maximum. Make sure your presentation title makes it easy for people to

quickly identify what you are going to speak about. The exclusive use (or over-use) of metaphor, either in the paper title, the abstract or the final presentation is discouraged.

Language

Contributors are advised that the ACMHN International Mental Health Nursing Conference provides delegates with a program that reflects and leads contemporary mental health nursing practice. As such, all abstracts and papers are to be presented using appropriate terminology for people who experience mental health issues. Terms such as 'mentally ill people', 'the mentally ill' and 'case/subject' and 'the mentally ill case' are not accepted. Rather, descriptors should be person-centred, such as 'people/person who experience 'XYZ', 'consumer', 'service user', 'person with a lived experience' or 'client'. Abstracts which do not meet this criteria will not be eligible for review.

Award Category

Please read the eligibility criteria carefully for each of the awards below.

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'Abstracts Eligibility for Awards' document which can be accessed on <https://www.acmhn2020.com/> provides detailed information on the awards criteria.

Authors to select one only.

- Research Award
- Stan Alchin Award
- General Award
- First Time Presenter Award
- Clinical Supervision Award
- Clinical Supervision First Time Presenter Award
- Clinical Supervision Poster Award
- General Poster Award

Subthemes

After you have selected the type of your submission, you will be asked to select from one of the subthemes.

Contemporary practice issues e.g.

- Natural disasters and mental health
- Physical and mental health
- Psychotherapeutic approaches
- Trauma informed care
- Drug health
- Integrating with peer workforce
- Addressing stigma in generalist settings
- E-health

Clinical specialties e.g.

- Indigenous health
- CL and ED settings
- AOD settings
- Generalist health settings
- Primary care
- Child and adolescent
- Older persons
- Justice and forensic mental health

Professional issues e.g.

- Clinical supervision
- Workplace health and safety
- Autonomy of nursing roles
- Leadership and management
- Self-care for mental health nurses

Recruitment and Retention into Mental Health Nursing e.g.

- Workforce development
- Emerging leaders
- Student experience and clinical placement
- Career pathways into mental health nursing
- Supporting workforce

Impacts on practice e.g.

- Models of care
- Scope of practice issues
- Innovation and opportunity

Research to practice e.g.

- Co-design and co-production
- Research and research translation

Mental Health Nurse Education e.g.

- Educating mental health nurses
- Post-graduate education
- Separate entry mental health nurse training

Abstract review process

The ACMHN uses a blind review process for all submissions to present at the International Mental Health Nursing Conference and strives to include high quality research and clinical papers. This process is overseen by the Scientific Chair.

All contributions satisfying the basic requirements will be subject to a blind review by at least two independent reviewers, who will have no knowledge of the name of the author(s) or of the other reviewer(s). Members of the ACMHN Board are not eligible to participate in the review process.

Reviewers apply a simple set of criteria to each abstract, which are then given a numerical ranking. Abstracts are then tabulated according to their numerical ranking and submission date i.e. abstracts which attract the same ranking are then ordered according to the date of submission, with contributions submitted first, listed first. Offers are made to contributors from the highest ranking contribution down, and a program is developed.

Where a contributor is not able to participate, or withdraws their abstract from the program, an offer is made to the next contributor down the list to take their place in the program.

CONTACT:

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