

Call for Abstracts

2018 Faculty Development Conference

Creating Innovative Nursing Curriculum

November 14-15, 2018
Hilton New Orleans Riverside ♦ New Orleans, LA

The American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN) invites abstracts that address the many changes and challenges experienced by those new to the faculty role and those who would like to gain more self-confidence in teaching baccalaureate and higher degree programs. Of particular interest are abstracts that highlight:

- Exploring the Evidence for Empowering Change
- Summative and Formative Evaluations
- Performance Assessments: How to observe and measure behavioral learner outcomes
- Competency-Based Education
- Creating Synergy: Building Diverse and Productive Teams

Detailed information about the 2018 conference program will be available in August.

PRESENTATION FORMATS

Poster Presentation

Poster presentations are presented on double-sided poster boards holding two (2) posters per side. Please see acceptance notification for poster dimensions.

New this year, all accepted posters will be entered into a competition for *Excellence in Scholarship*. A First-Place as well as an Honorable Mention will be awarded to recognize this excellence. Members of the planning committee will serve as judges using a standard rubric and both winners will be designated in the reception with ribbons. A certificate of achievement will be awarded as well as a copy of a best-selling leadership book. Please see acceptance notification for further details.



PREPARING YOUR ABSTRACT FOR SUBMISSION

Abstract Content

- The abstract should include background, methods, and other pertinent headings. Should reflect conference theme or abstract themes. Include summary recommendations for others who may be considering a similar approach.
- Abstracts may highlight original research, quality improvement projects, evidence-based practice, or programmatic innovations. Formatting of the abstract should be

consistent with the type of project being presented.

- Abstracts may have been presented elsewhere or published within the past two years. If this is the case, please update the material and make it specific to this conference.
- Presenters are asked to classify their submissions as applicable to the following categories: "Leadership", "Student-Centered", "Curriculum", or "Innovations".

Submission Requirements

- Submitters are allowed a maximum of two (2) abstract submissions per conference.
- Presenters are asked to identify any potential conflict of interest related to the content to be offered (e.g., commercial interest, affiliation with a vendor, and/or receipt of royalties) and affirm that their abstract presentations will not be used to sell a particular product or service. AACN exerts the right to rescind the acceptance of an abstract due to any conflict of interest discovered after the fact.
- Sub-committee members are not eligible to submit to this conference.

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SUBMISSION PROCESS

- All abstracts must be submitted electronically through AACN's submission website.
- Submitters must create an account to upload their abstract. *AACN is using a new system this year so creation of a new account is required.*
- Submission sections include:
 1. Title
 2. 250-word description
 3. 1 learner outcome (e.g., "Identify strategies for...")
 4. Primary author contact information for conference attendees.
- Submitters may access the site as often as they like to modify the document until the final submission deadline, **Wednesday, September 5, 2018**. Submitters have control over when the abstract is finally submitted.

To submit your abstract visit:

<http://www.cvent.com/c/abstracts/aee452c2-ed8a-4e03-a116-9e41277add0a>

DUE DATE EXTENDED TO SEPTEMBER 5

- Abstracts are due on or before **11:59 p.m. EST on Wednesday, September 5, 2018**.
- Upon final submission, the submitter will receive an email message confirming receipt of the abstract. *If an email confirmation is not received, the abstract was not entered into the system and the submitter will need to go back submit fully.*

REVIEW PROCESS

Each abstract is peer-reviewed by at least two reviewers and the process is blind; hence, reviewers do not see names of submitters or school affiliations. To increase the probability of

an abstract being selected, please read the [scoring rubric](#) the reviewers follow.

ACCEPTANCE NOTIFICATION

- Authors will be notified about the status of their submission(s) via email no later than **Wednesday, September 19, 2018**. This is sufficient time to meet the conference registration deadlines and the October 23rd hotel cutoff date.

NOTE: First authors on all accepted abstracts must register for the conference and present the abstract. Any co-authors are required to register for the conference if they will be presenting as well. Co-authors cannot present in place of the primary author. Presenters are responsible for their own expenses, including the conference registration fee. All registered attendees are provided conference materials that will include a copy of the original abstract submission.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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