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 20 minutes for presentation and 5 minutes for questions, a total of 25 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

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

‘Abstracts Eligibility for Awards’ document which can be accessed on www.acmhn2023.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
Abstracts

- 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**
- Mental health policy direction to unleash the potential of MHN’s
- Trauma informed care approaches – a fit for the new agenda?
- Addressing physical health in all mental health settings
- Collaborating with peer workforce
- Addressing stigma throughout the system
- E-health and digital mental health – new models require new parameters.
- Mental health response to natural disasters
- Suicide – contemporary aspirational targets
- Psychotherapeutic approaches

**Eliminating Restrictive Interventions**
- Harm reduction, Harm minimisation
- Responses to workplace aggression and violence – new ways of doing
- Public safety versus necessary treatment
- Decision making capacity and consent

**Clinical Specialties**
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander mental health
- Consultation liaison
- Emergency mental health
Primary mental health care
Child and Adolescent mental health
Perinatal and Infant mental health
Older persons mental health
Justice and forensic mental health
Evolving drug and alcohol/mental health service delivery
Community Mental Health - emerging new models of care

**Professional Issues**
Clinical supervision
Workplace mental health and wellbeing
Leadership and management
Self-care for mental health nurses
Advocating for human rights

**Recruitment and Retention into Mental Health Nursing**
Developing career pathways into mental health nursing
Workforce professional development
Identify, develop and mentoring emerging leaders
Supporting a growing workforce
Student experience and innovative clinical placement
Recruit, retain and develop mental health nurses

**Potential for Mental Health Nursing Practice**
Models of care and practice innovation
The future expanded scope of practice for mental health nurses
New opportunities and role development for mental health nurses
Identifying gaps in service delivery – a place for future MHN's
Veteran, Defence and First Responder Mental Health

Research to Practice

- Co-design and co-production
- Research and research translation
- Research degree development in mental health nursing
- Emerging research method

Mental Health Nurse Education

- Educating mental health nurses
- Post-graduate education
- Encouraging and selecting mental health nurses to undertake higher degrees
- Development of new entry pathways for mental health nurses
- Framework from graduation to credentialing

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.

For further information on the abstract process for the 47th International Mental Health Nursing Conference please contact ACMHN Event Manager, Ellen Fraser on 02 6285 1078 or ellen.fraser@acmhn.org