

## Guidelines for abstract submission

Presentations should be submitted in one of the following formats:

- **New evidence: Let the data do the talking** These individual oral papers provide an opportunity to report empirical findings employing qualitative or quantitative methods of either primary, or secondary data.
- **What works and what doesn't** These are specific oral presentations presenting development and/or evaluation of interventions.
- **Blue sky thinking** These presentations will present new evidence-based ideas and research directions in particular areas. These presentations will provide the opportunity to experienced researchers to present their thoughts and ideas based on their accumulated experience in specific research areas. In some cases new thoughts and ideas can also be based on systematic review of literature.
- **Symposia** Symposia provide an opportunity for focused presentations of a particular topic.
- **Expert poster session: "Work in progress"** A special interactive poster session will be devoted to researchers wanted to present and share work in progress. These posters will be discussed by our invited experts. In addition to the poster authors should prepare a 5 minute presentation.
- **Medical Stories** These presentations will give to opportunity to practitioners, hospital managers, health professionals to present case studies, or examples from clinical practice, and running programs.
- **Research gone wrong** Since, very often, problems in research tend to be very informative, a special round table will be devoted to discussing problems and pitfalls in specific research projects. For this session individual submissions will be grouped together to be presented in the format of a round table. Individual presenters should prepare a 10 minute presentation focusing on the limitations/obstacles encountered and how they were dealt with (if at all).

If you wish to submit an abstract in a format not included in the above list please contact the conference secretariat.

## A. "New evidence: Let the data do the talking"

**Title.** Provide a title of 15 words or less

**Author(s) details** (name and affiliation). Name: first name(s) followed by surname(s); Institution of Affiliation. Authors should be no more than 10.

The **body of the text** should be no longer than **150 words** and include:

- **Background:** state the primary objectives of the study, including the main research questions, aims or theory being tested.
- **Methods:** **quantitative studies** should include design, participants (including number of participants), measures and analyses; **qualitative studies** should include design, participants, methods of data collection and analysis, e.g. grounded theory, discourse analysis, and IPA.
- **Findings:** **quantitative studies** should include a summary of the results, which should contain numerical data; **qualitative studies** should include a description of the main findings such as the themes or categories generated. Note: it is not acceptable to state "*results will be discussed*".
- **Discussion:** some discussion of the possible contribution to, or implications for healthcare.
- Please do **not** include a list of references at the end of your abstract.

## B. What works and what doesn't

**Title.** Provide a title of 15 words or less

**Author(s) details** (name and affiliation). Name: first name(s) followed by surname(s); Institution of Affiliation. Authors should be no more than 10.

The **body of the text** should be no longer than **150 words** and include:

- **Background:** Describe the intervention and whether it is evidence/theory based

- Evaluation: **quantitative studies** should include design, participants (including number of participants), measures and analyses; **qualitative studies** should include design, participants, methods of data collection and analysis, e.g. grounded theory, discourse analysis, and IPA.
- *Findings*: **quantitative studies** should include a summary of the results, which should contain numerical data; **qualitative studies** should include a description of the main findings such as the themes or categories generated. Note: it is not acceptable to state "*results will be discussed*".
- *Discussion*: some discussion of the possible contribution to, or implications for healthcare
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### C. Blue sky thinking

*Title*. Provide a title of 15 words or less

**Author(s) details** (name and affiliation). Name: first name(s) followed by surname(s); Institution of Affiliation. Authors should be no more than 5.

The **body of the text** should be no longer than **150 words** and include:

- **Background**: explaining the background work for the idea
- **New idea**: outlining the details of the example
- **Contribution to the field**: explaining how the experience of the particular example can be used to advance study or practice in the field.

### D. Symposia

*Title*. Provide a title of 15 words or less.

- **Convenor details** Name: first name(s) followed by surname(s); Institution of Affiliation; Address; E-mail address. There can be one or maximum two convenors, but only one has the responsibility of the symposia.
- **Discussant details** Name: first name(s) followed by surname(s); Institution of Affiliation; Address; E-mail address. After the presentations, a discussant provides an overview of the

main issues (about 5-10 minutes) and facilitates a general discussion of the topic by the audience and authors.

- **Symposium overview abstract ( maximum 250 words) including:**
  - **Aims:** four or five points that summarize what you expect the symposium to achieve.
  - **Rationale:** explaining why it is important to discuss this issue at this year's conference.
  - **Summary** outlining the symposium as a whole and integrating the individual contributions.
- **An abstract for each presentation** (maximum 5 if there is no discussant, maximum 4 if there is a discussant; **maximum 150 words each**; maximum 10 authors each).
- Please do **not** include a list of references at the end of the abstracts.
- **Timetable** indicating the running order of the sections.

#### E. Expert poster session: "Work in progress"

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- **Methods:** **quantitative studies** should include design, participants (including number of participants), measures and analyses; **qualitative studies** should include design, participants, methods of data collection and analysis, e.g. grounded theory, discourse analysis, and IPA.
- **Expected results:** Describe the expected results
- **Current stage of work:** Describe the stage you are in terms of the work described
- **Discussion:** some discussion of the possible contribution to, or implications for, health psychology
- Please do **not** include a list of references at the end of your abstract.

## F. Medical Stories

**Title.** Provide a title of 15 words or less

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The **body of the text** should be no longer than **150 words** and include:

- **Rationale:** explaining why it is important to discuss this example at this year's conference.
- **Context:** outlining the details of the example
- **Contribution to the field:** explaining how the experience of the particular example can be used to advance study or practice in the field.

## G. Research gone wrong

**Title.** Provide a title of 15 words or less

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- **Background:** state the primary objectives of the study, including the main research questions, aims or theory being tested.
- **Methods:** **quantitative studies** should include design, participants (including number of participants), measures and analyses; **qualitative studies** should include design, participants, methods of data collection and analysis, e.g. grounded theory, discourse analysis, and IPA.
- **What went wrong:** Describe the limitations/obstacles faced in conducting the research
- **Possible solutions** Describe possible solutions (If any)