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51st AANN Annual Educational Meeting
Thursday, March 21 - Sunday, March 24, 2019
Colorado Convention Center & Hyatt Regency
Denver Convention Center • Denver, CO

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

AANN 51st Annual Educational Meeting (March 21- 24, 2019)
Hyatt Regency Denver at Colorado Convention Center, Denver, CO

Abstract Submission Deadline: Wednesday, May 16, 2018 at 11:59 PM (CST)

Late submissions will not be accepted. There will be **NO EXCEPTIONS.**

The American Association of Neuroscience Nurses (AANN) Annual Meeting Planning Committee invites applications to present at the 51st Annual Educational Meeting.

SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

By submitting an abstract, you agree to the following stipulations if the abstract is chosen:

- All abstracts must be submitted in English.
- Abstracts **MUST be BLINDED** and must not refer to the organization, author, or location, in the title, presenter information, and abstract text, etc. Any unblinded abstracts will be immediately disqualified.
- Each section of the abstract submission form must have a completed entry. Any incomplete abstracts will be disqualified.
- All references are required to be in APA format in the Bibliography section.
- Biographical Data and Conflict of Interest Disclosure (BIO/COI) forms must be completed for the main presenter, speakers, and co-authors prior to submission.
- All conference registration, travel, and hotel costs are paid by the speaker(s).
- The abstract title, speaker information (including credentials) and abstract descriptions will appear in all conference materials exactly as submitted. No title changes can be made once the abstract has been submitted. Submitters are asked to determine the final title, proofread the application for typographical errors and verify the accuracy of the speaker listings and abstract title and content before the abstract is submitted.
- The main presenter will be responsible for meeting all deadlines and requirements regarding the abstract. Failure to meet deadlines and requirements

will result in the withdrawal of Continuing Education (CE) credits for the session. The main presenter is responsible for notifying AANN Staff of any changes, additions or corrections in main presenter, speaker, or co-author names, paper titles or availability to present the submitted paper/poster at the assigned date and time. Unless otherwise noted on the abstract, the main presenter will be considered the only contact.

- The main presenter acknowledges access to the following audio-visual aids for the presentation:
 - Screen
 - Lavalier (Lapel) Microphone
 - Podium Microphone
 - Projection Unit
 - Laptop

SESSION (PAPER/POSTER) PRESENTATION FORMATS

- Concurrent 1 – hour session:
 - A 1 hour session presentation of a topic that consists of lecture/discussions. Authors must be willing to modify the content to fit the appropriate format.
- Concurrent 30 – minute session:
 - A 30 minute session presentation of a topic that consists of lecture/discussions. Authors must be willing to modify the content to fit the appropriate format.
- Research 30 – minute session:
 - A 30 minute presentation of a formal, completed research project that is either knowledge-generating, translational, or evidence-based practice.
 - The title clearly reflects the project.
 - The research must be presented in the following order:
 - Background/Significance of the problem is explained.
 - Purpose of the study and the accompanying presentation is clear, reflects the problem, and identifies the variables to be studied.
 - Methodology is clearly described and is appropriate for the course.
 - Results are valid and reflect both the problem and the purpose.
 - Clinical Significance is stated.
 - Research has been fully completed.
- Poster Presenter:
 - Presenters are assigned specific times to stand by their poster and answer questions posed by passing colleagues during the conference. The visual poster presentation will be (4'x8' size) of research, QI, education, or leadership findings by an individual or representatives of a team.
- Pre-Conference 2 hour or 4 hour:
 - A 2 or 4 hour session presentation of a topic that consists of lecture/discussions. Authors must be willing to modify the content to fit the appropriate format.
- Post Conference 2 hour or 4 hour:
 - A 2 or 4 hour session presentation of a topic that consists of lecture/discussions. Authors must be willing to modify the content to fit the appropriate format.

Please note that final decisions on submission format and time frame rest with the Annual Meeting Planning and Poster Committees.

SESSION PRESENTATION FORMAT REQUIREMENTS

Abstract submissions may address:

- The purpose of the session is clearly stated.
- The title clearly reflects the abstract and is of interest.
- The abstract text reflects a neuroscience topic that is cutting edge, innovative, of high interest, and defines the purpose of the presentation.
- The outcomes must reflect the abstract content and are measurable, clear, and concise.
- Shared best practices and neuroscience evidence-based practice or neuroscience nursing guidelines.
- Descriptions of the process of clinical inquiry, critical thinking, and research as applied to specific patient care problems.
- The bibliography is specifically targeted to the topic and is current within 5 years.
- The presenter's clinical experience is clearly stated and relevant to the topic.
- Learning needs of nurses from novice to advanced level of practice.
- Innovative strategies used in patient care management that facilitate change and continued evolution of neuroscience nursing practice.
- The presenter's previous speaking on a local, regional, or national level is considered; however this should NOT discourage first time presenters.

EXPERTISE LEVELS

Classify the session according to attendee expertise levels, not the level of the presenter:

- Beginner: New to the field, topic or to the care of acute and critically ill patients.
- Intermediate: Has worked in the field and has proficient skills in research and practice pertaining to care of acute and critically ill patients.
- Expert: Has special knowledge or ability and performs skills that exceed a proficient nurse at an intermediate level.
- Advanced: Has acquired advanced preparation for expanded clinical practice with minimum of a master's degree. Clinical nurse specialists, nurse practitioners, nurse anesthetists and nurse midwives are considered advanced practice nurses.
- APNU: Advanced Practice Nurse University topic can be clinical and non-clinical that meets the needs of an advanced practice nurse (APN).

***Please note that by submitting an abstract for the 51st Annual Educational Meeting, you are acknowledging that the Annual Meeting Planning and Poster Committees*

reserve the right to accept your abstract as a different presentation format than originally submitted.

PRESENTER TITLES

- Main Presenter: Is the main presenter of a submitted abstract and will attend the meeting and present.
- Poster Presenter: Is the main poster presenter of a submitted abstract and will attend the meeting, set up, and present the poster.
- Speaker(s): Are individuals who will be attending the meeting and will be presenting with the main presenter.
- Co-Author(s): Are individuals who contribute data, educational planning, or research towards the submitted abstract, but will **not** be attending the meeting.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Coaching Assistance:

Coaching assistance is available for first-time abstract submitters or any abstract submitters who would like coaching. Please contact Meredith Nichols at mnichols@aann.org. Requests for assistance will be accepted through April 25, 2018.

Review and Selection:

Each abstract will be evaluated through a blinded, peer review process by members of the Annual Meeting Planning Committee. Notification of abstract selection or non-selection will be made by the end of July 2018.

If you have any questions, please contact Meredith Nichols, AANN Education Manager at mnichols@aann.org or 847-375-6325.

We hope you have found the above explanations helpful and look forward to reading your abstract submission.