CALL FOR STUDENT POSTER ABSTRACTS
NGNA 2015 ANNUAL CONVENTION
October 1-3, 2015
The Alexander Hotel – Indianapolis, Indiana
SUBMISSION DEADLINE: MONDAY, AUGUST 24, 2015
(Submissions will be accepted until 11:59pm PST August 24, 2015)

GENERAL INFORMATION FOR STUDENT POSTER ABSTRACT SUBMISSIONS
NGNA invites all undergraduate and graduate nursing students actively enrolled in a nursing program at any level to submit an abstract for a poster presentation at the Annual Convention in Indianapolis, IN, taking place October 1-3, 2015.

Abstracts are sought from undergraduate and graduate nursing students who plan to specialize in the care of older adults in all areas of clinical practice, administration, research, and education. We welcome abstracts that emphasize all settings including hospitals, long-term care facilities, assisted living, home health, community health, hospice, schools of nursing, government and military, and industry.

All topics must demonstrate use, integration and/or application of evidence based practices. Literature reviews are accepted. Poster abstracts should address any topic relevant to gerontological nursing.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR ABSTRACT SUBMISSION
Read the following guidelines completely before you submit an abstract.

1. All abstracts must be submitted online via the NGNA website. Click on Submit an Abstract at the end of this Call for Student Posters to access the online form or visit www.ngna.org.
2. Submission deadline is August 24, 2015. No abstracts will be accepted after the deadline.
3. Your abstract title cannot exceed 120 characters and your abstract narrative cannot exceed 3350 characters.
4. You do not have to be an NGNA member to submit an abstract.
5. Avoid the use of any symbols, special characters, or graphics within the abstract text.
6. The review of abstracts is blinded so avoid the use of identifiers. For example, please use pronouns or titles vs actual health care provider names.
7. The abstract is to be original work and NOT previously presented at an NGNA convention.
8. Double check your abstract for typographical and grammatical errors.
9. Discuss the abstract with your professor and/or mentor prior to submission with regard to your ability to attend the conference if your abstract is selected for presentation.

ABSTRACT AUTHORS

1. Authors of accepted abstracts will be required to provide the following information for each co-author: (First name, Last name, School of Nursing, Mailing address, Email address, and Phone number). It is vital for the e-mail address to be current and accurate since all communication with NGNA will be delivered via e-mail. If the presenting author contact and email address should change before the annual conference, he/ she needs to provide the updated contact information to the following email address: cdevine@ngna.org.
2. Provide a 50 word biographical sketch for each presenter that includes information on the presenter’s school of nursing.
3. Identify the student mentor and mentor’s qualifications in the topic area. **Please identify the student’s mentor on the poster.**

4. Communications about submitted abstracts will be made with the first author; co-authors will be recognized and are expected to have contributed substantively to the proposed presentation content or project/research.

5. All poster presenters (i.e. first authors) must register for the conference. If the first author is unable to attend the conference, one of the other listed authors may present the poster.

6. Expenses associated with the preparation, printing, delivery, and presentation of an abstract (poster and oral) is the responsibility of the author/presenter. If accepted, the presenter is required to pay all fees associated with the meeting including, but not limited to, travel, housing accommodations, meeting registration, etc.

**SUGGESTED TOPICS FOR PROPOSALS INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:**

- Acute Care
- Cultural Diversity in the Aging Population
- Delegation
- Dementia Care
- Elders as Caregivers
- Falls Prevention
- Health Promotion/Disease Prevention
- HIV/AIDS & Older Adults
- Gender & Aging
- Genomics & Aging
- Geriatric Syndromes
- Geropharmacology
- Research with Older Adults
- Spirituality in Aging
- Alternative & Complementary Therapies
- Assisted Living
- Community-based care
- Cultural Diversity in the Workplace
- Gerontological Nursing Education
- Future Directions of Gerontological Nursing
- Gerontological Nursing Education
- Health Policy
- Leadership/Management
- Palliative Care/End-of-Life Care
- Performance Improvement
- Program Development & Implementation
- Safety & Quality of Care
- Staff Recruitment & Retention
- Genetics
STUDENT POSTER PRESENTATION SUBMISSION CATEGORIES

1. Literature Review
2. Completed Research Project
3. Research Project in progress
4. Evidence-based Practice project

Authors who are unsure to which category their abstract belongs, please contact Courtney Devine at cdevine@ngna.org or via phone at 859-977-7453 to review and determine the appropriate category prior to submission.

NGNA ABSTRACT OBJECTIVES

1. Originality and importance of the topic for gerontological nursing
2. Appeal to NGNA members
3. Clarity of the proposal
4. Application of the topic to a variety of settings
5. Writing clarity, grammar, spelling, and punctuation

POSTER PRESENTATION ABSTRACT FORMAT INFORMATION

Please use the online abstract submission form to provide a brief narrative of the topic (not to exceed 3250 characters). Include the following information:

1. **Purpose (300 characters):** Clear statement of the research problem, purpose, questions, and hypotheses OR Clear statement of the innovation in practice, its purpose and its goals.
2. **Background (300 characters):** Background of topic and significance of the problem for older adults and Gerontological nursing
3. **Setting & Sample (250 characters):** Where did the research or best practice project take place? How many participants were in the study or quality improvement project? What type of sampling was used?
4. **Procedures (800 characters):** Methods including design, sample, setting, data collection, and data analysis OR Detailed description of the innovative best practice and how it is evidence based.
5. **Findings/Results (1000 characters):** Findings from research that relate to the purpose of the study OR Evaluation of project outcomes and its potential for application in other settings as appropriate
6. **Discussion/Conclusion/Implications (600 characters):** Discussion of implications for older adults and/or Gerontological nursing practice.

NOTIFICATION OF ACCEPTANCE

1. Notification of selections will be emailed to all abstract authors by September 4, 2015.
2. Authors RSVP of acceptance to present at the conference is due by September 11, 2015.

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