



CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

For Papers, Posters, and Symposia

**National Conference for Workplace Violence
Prevention & Management in Healthcare Settings**

May 11-13, 2012

Cincinnati, Ohio

Kingsgate Marriott Conference Center at the University of Cincinnati

Conference Website:

<https://webapps.uc.edu/conferencing/Details.aspx?ConferenceID=426>

We are now accepting research, performance/quality improvement, evidence-based practice, and programmatic abstracts that address the prevention and/or management of workplace violence in healthcare settings. Following peer-review, abstracts will be selected for paper or poster presentation to the National Conference for Workplace Violence Prevention & Management in Healthcare Settings to be held **May 11-13, 2012** in Cincinnati, Ohio.

This is an excellent opportunity to present your work and discuss the problems of, and solutions to, many of the pressing issues in today's healthcare environment with physicians, nurses, pharmacists, social workers, industrial hygienists, healthcare administrators and advocates, researchers, and other healthcare stakeholders.

To submit an abstract, please submit at:

<http://webapps.uc.edu/conferencing/events/workplaceviolence/abstracts>

Abstract Guidelines

The paper and poster sessions are focused on topics that are of interest and importance to healthcare professionals, administrators, occupational health specialists, researchers, and others with a vested interest in improving the occupational health and safety of healthcare workers. Abstracts must reflect either completed projects or projects that will have, at minimum, preliminary findings for presentation at the conference. Recently published work including qualitative and epidemiological studies and rigorous reviews of the literature are also acceptable for submission. Authors may submit abstracts for more than one paper and/or poster.

Abstracts can address relationships among violence and clinical practice, education, research, program planning and partnerships, patient quality and safety, government affairs, etc. General categories for abstracts can relate to any of the following:

- Epidemiology
- Incivility and bullying
- Aggression
- Horizontal/lateral violence
- Sexual harassment
- Intimate partner violence
- Legal and ethical issues
- Aggressor's perspective of workplace violence
- Physical and psychological outcomes
- Interventions to prevent workplace violence
- Organizational policy and change
- The ethics of workplace violence research
- Pharmacotherapy of violence
- Methodological aspects
- Staff training
- Work productivity
- Proactive coping
- Financial impact
- Environmental change
- Stigma and blaming
- Instrumentation

Abstracts accepted and presented will be included in a conference compendium. If your abstract is accepted and you do not want it to be made publicly available, please notify Dr. Gordon Gillespie, the conference chair, by e-mail at gordon.gillespie@uc.edu.

Note: Primary presenters are expected to adhere to the guidelines and schedules concerning dates and time periods of paper presentations and poster displays as well as the specific time periods the presenters are required to be at their posters in order to answer questions and/or discuss poster content with conference attendees.

Poster Awards Program: The Paper and Poster Awards Program is open to all authors of presented papers and posters. Four awards will be given out: best paper presentation, best poster presentation, best student paper presentation, and best student poster presentation. Conference committee members and abstract/poster peer-reviewers are not eligible for an award.

Submission Deadline and Review Process Guidelines

The deadline for submission is FEBRUARY 17, 2012.

Submit online at: <http://webapps.uc.edu/conferencing/events/workplaceviolence/abstracts>

Abstract reviewers will evaluate and select the abstracts for poster and/or paper presentations on a rolling basis based on written expression as well as the abstract content set out below. All authors will be notified by e-mail from the Conference Committee by April 2, 2012 as to whether their abstract was accepted or declined for presentation. For questions regarding this application process, please contact Dr. Gordon Gillespie, the conference chair, by e-mail at gordon.gillespie@uc.edu.

Abstract Content

Structured abstracts include only essential information for communicating the nature and results of the study or project. **Note: The seven headings listed below MUST be included in ALL abstracts.**

Purpose: Begin with one to two background sentences stating the scope or nature of the problem you are addressing in your research or project; i.e., the rationale supporting the need for the endeavor. Clearly state the objective and significance of your study/project.

Design: State the study design or type of project being conducted.

Setting: Describe the setting where the study or project took place (e.g., community pharmacies, rural hospitals, urban nursing homes, Midwest U.S.).

Participants/Subjects: Describe the characteristics of participants and include the procedures for selecting the participants with inclusion/exclusion criteria (e.g., physician, pharmacist, nurse, adult, etc.). Identify measures to protect human subjects, if appropriate to the study or project.

Methods: Describe the study/project procedures, interventions, and evaluation methods or data analyses. Instruments or tools (including questionnaires) should be described in detail. Variables and measurements should be defined. State if Institutional Review Board (IRB) or human subjects' ethic board approved the study or project.

Results/Outcomes: Present the specific data that address your research questions or project purpose. Include statistical data, if appropriate. Evaluate the outcomes of this study/project in relation to the need for this study/project (e.g., summative evaluation). For research in progress, present the preliminary findings.

Implications: State reasoned conclusions based on the data presented and implications for research, education, practice, and/or policy. For research in progress, provide anticipated or projected outcomes of the study.

Abstract Format & Submission Instructions

Abstracts not meeting the format/deadline requirements will be returned to the author without review.

1. Limit your abstract to 500 words or less
2. Limit your title to 10 words or less
3. Do not include any author or institutional names in your abstract
4. Do not include any graphs, charts, or bullets; the abstract should be entirely in a narrative format
5. Abstracts must be submitted via the [electronic system](#) on or before **February 17, 2012**.

It is the Primary Contact's responsibility to ensure that we have received your documents. An acknowledgment of your submission will be sent to you. If you do not receive this acknowledgment, or you have other questions concerning this application process, please contact the Dr. Gordon Gillespie at 513.558.5236 or by e-mail at gordon.gillespie@uc.edu

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