

Torbay and South Devon Clinical School Annual Conference
Energising the workforce for innovation and integration in health and social care
Thursday 19th November 2020, 09:00-17:00, Via Zoom Webinar

Abstract Submission

We invite abstract submissions for the conference. Posters will be displayed online on a separate website which delegates will be invited to visit during and after the conference. We will ask you to record a 90-second presentation to accompany your poster.

There will be a prize for the best poster!

To display your work at the virtual conference please submit an abstract of your project or your prepared poster (if you already have one ready).

This will be reviewed before acceptance. Once your abstract is accepted you will be asked to record a 90-second presentation about your work. When delegates view your poster, they will be able to listen to you talking briefly about it. We will give you advice and guidance on how to do this.

If you would like to submit your work please send your abstract (or your prepared poster) to Alexander Stacey at: alexanderstacey@nhs.net by 09:00 on 20th Oct 2020.

Mary Hickson, Susie Pearce, Chris Dixon and Rich Collins (your Clinical School contacts) will be available to help with ideas, shaping your abstract, poster or presentation - please do contact them:

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Guidelines for abstract content

Abstracts will be assessed on:

- Originality
- Clarity of research question or aim of the audit or service evaluation
- Appropriateness of study or project design
- Quality and rigor of methods used
- Strength of results
- Appropriateness of the conclusion and/or recommendations for practice

Alternatively, if you have already prepared a poster which you have presented elsewhere you can submit the prepared poster (digital version). These will be judged on the same criteria.

If the presentation is accepted, one of the authors must register to attend the conference and provide a 90-second recorded presentation to accompany the poster (guidance will be given).

Abstracts should be up to 300 words in length (excluding title, authors and their affiliations, and references) and should be structured as follows:

- **Title of presentation** - a title which accurately describes the study or project.
- **Authors** - the names of all authors with institutional affiliation(s). (if you did this as a student project, don't forget to include your supervisor)
- **Background** - a brief explanation of how the study developed from existing knowledge and literature (the problem being addressed).
- **Aim or Research Question** – Clearly state the specific aim of the project or research question you are seeking to answer
- **Methods** - a concise description of the methods used to conduct the study (what you have done).
- **Results** - where possible, please include key findings of the research. For studies in progress with results to follow, please indicate this, explaining your plans for data analysis. For service innovations, please provide a description of innovation and impact.
- **Discussion and Conclusions** - this is an opportunity to explain why the findings or impact are of interest and importance, and implications they may have for practice or teaching.