CALL FOR ABSTRACTS
Deadline for submission: Friday July 15, 2022

INVITATION

Abstracts of original work are invited for the Youth Health Conference 2022, the annual meeting of the Australian Association for Adolescent Health (AAAH) Ltd, to be held from 7 – 9 November at CENTREPIECE at Melbourne Park, Melbourne, Victoria, Australia

Individuals and organisations are invited to submit an abstract of original work to deliver a:
- 15-minute oral presentation
- 90-minute symposium; or
- Visual poster presentation

Presentations will be selected to provide a program that offers a comprehensive and diverse range of issues related to the conference theme of **RECOVERY. RESILIENCE. RIGHTS.** Presentations may report on recent or current research, programs, policy or practice. Priority will be given to presentations about current research or that demonstrate new knowledge, critical reflection or innovation, rather than purely descriptive papers.

All proposals will be reviewed by the Conference Scientific Program Committee. Authors will be notified by e-mail of the outcome.

SUBMISSION PROCESS

Please submit your abstract online no later than 5pm AEST on **Friday, 15th July 2022** via the conference website – www.aaahyouthhealthconference.org.au.

Abstracts may only be submitted online through the Currinda portal and will not be accepted by fax, email or post. The Youth Health 2022 Professional Conference Organiser, The Association Specialists will notify all abstract submitters of acceptance via email by Monday 22nd August, 2022.
Important: all authors accepted to deliver a presentation or symposium, or bring a poster must register for the conference and pay the applicable registration fees.
Please note: the submitting author (if different to the presenting author) will be the one linked to the abstract and will receive all relevant information via email. It is the submitting author's exclusive responsibility to ensure that all correspondence regarding the abstracts is shared with all other authors.

ABSTRACT OPTIONS

15-minute oral presentations
These presentations will be of 15-minutes in duration (10-minutes presentation + 5-minutes questions). Papers not selected for oral presentation might be given the option of a poster presentation.

90-minute symposia
These are 'mini-workshops' which can involve multiple presenters or a panel. The intention is to engage participants in interactive activities or facilitated discussion to explore new research or innovative programs, policies or practice. Symposia which include young people in their planning and/ or delivery will be given higher priority.

Visual poster presentations

Poster presentations are visual displays of material and constitute an interactive and communicative medium, usually combining text and graphics. Posters will be displayed in the catering areas for the duration of the conference. If selected for a visual poster presentation, you will be responsible for all costs associated with the production of your poster (approximate size A1 or A0). Note: A selection of poster presentation may be offered a 'poster symposium' option. In this format up to eight posters will be grouped by a similar theme and will be allocated a time slot and room in the conference program. Each author will be invited to speak for 3 – 4 minutes to summarise their main findings. A facilitator will then engage all participants in discussion about key messages arising from all eight posters.

ABSTRACT INSTRUCTIONS

- When logging in to the Currinda portal, you will be asked to create a profile (unless you already have one) before you can submit an abstract for consideration. This profile will also be used to register for the conference.
- You can submit multiple abstracts, one after the other, through your profile.
- Whilst you can come back to your submission(s) at any time prior to the submission deadline, please ensure you proceed through the entire process to complete your submission. If you fail to do this, your abstract will not be reviewed. You can continue to make edits up until the submission deadline of 5pm (AEST) on Friday July 15th, 2022.
- You will be asked to select your preferred presentation option: oral presentation, symposium or poster. If your submission is accepted, the Conference Scientific Program Committee will confirm which presentation option they consider is best-suited to your submitted abstract.
- We will also ask if the primary author is a Higher Degree by Research Student (Honours, Masters or PhD student) or an Early Career Researcher (PhD conferred in the past 5 years). If so, you may be eligible for our HDR/ECR Prize.
- An automatic acknowledgement email will be sent once your abstract submission is complete.
- For oral paper and poster presentations that are research-based, the following four headings should be used: Background, Methods, Results, Conclusion.
- For oral paper and poster presentations that relate to a program, policy or practice, the following four headings should be used: Background, Approach, Outcome, Innovation and Significance.
- For symposia, the following headings should be used: Objectives (what do you want participants to learn?), Process (how will you deliver the symposium?), Content Summary (a summary of the material you will present), Expertise (what expertise do you bring?).

- **Further notes about the portal. Abstracts must:**
  - Be typed straight into the text field in Currinda. It is recommended that authors have this text ready to copy and paste (ensuring that no formatting carries across).
  - Not exceed 300 words, excluding titles, authors and affiliations.
  - Show only one presenting author by ticking the appropriate box.
  - Include the first name, surname and affiliations of all authors separately.
  - Not include any tables or figures
  - Ensure the title is fewer than 150 words with spaces. Please ensure the title is written in sentence case, not all caps.
  - Please provide a biography of fewer than 150 words for the presenting author. This is not included in the abstract word count.

<div style="background-color:teal; text-align:center;">ABSTRACTS NOT SUBMITTED IN THE CORRECT FORMAT WILL NOT BE REVIEWED.</div>