



MOVING NURSING & HEALTHCARE IN AFRICA FORWARD

CALL FOR 2020 ANNUAL CONFERENCE ABSTRACTS

The International Organization of African Nurses Annual Conference will be held **Friday October 16 to Saturday October 17, 2020** in Dallas Texas. The annual conference provides members and non-members who are actively working on projects on the African continent and across the globe the opportunity to share findings of their research, innovations, and evidence-based practices that are positively contributing to healthcare outcomes in Africa. We are also interested in any theoretical, conceptual, and methodological projects being developed or being implemented in Africa with the main goal of moving nursing and health care forward. The conference will also serve as a platform for exposing ideas or models that could potentially help in developing solutions to healthcare problems in Africa. The World Health Organization has dubbed 2020 “The Year of the Nurse and Midwife”. In being consistent with this declaration, the theme for the 2020 annual conference will be ***“Transforming Healthcare in Arica: Challenges, Solutions, and the Way Forward”***.

GENERAL GUIDELINES FOR ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

1. Abstracts will be emailed directly to ioanurses@yahoo.com
2. Complete the contact form online at www.ioanurses.org with title “**Abstract Submission**” to notify the review committee that you emailed your abstract.
3. Abstracts must be submitted by 5 PM (Central time zone) on the posted close date. Abstracts will be accepted between March 1 and May 1, 2020. Notifications will be sent out by August 1, 2020.
4. The abstract submission should contain a title page that includes the following information: *title of the presentation; authors and their credentials (primary presenting author should be bolded); affiliations, and a short biography describing expertise related to the topic (if applicable)*. The title page should not exceed one page.
5. The abstract body should not be more than **300 words** long and should include the following sections:

A. For Research Based Abstracts

- i) Study purpose of problem statement
- ii) Background and significance of the study
- iii) Methods
- iv) Results
- v) Discussion and Implications for Practice.

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B. For Non-Research Based Abstracts

- i) Clearly identify the healthcare problem or concern you want to address?
- ii) Are there any current solutions? If so, what are their limitations?
- iii) Describe the new model, innovation, concept or approach and how it's different from current approaches (if any)
- iv) Can your innovation/model/solution be implemented immediately?
- v) What are the needs for implementation?
- vi) What are the potential impacts of the new innovation, model or solution?

AFTER SUBMISSION

1. You will receive an email notification of receipt of the abstract and that it is under review
2. If accepted, the primary presenting author will be notified via email. Once notified, the primary presenting author will have 30 days to accept or decline the invitation to present.
3. After accepting to present, the primary presenting author will be required to complete a conflict of interest form and an Activity planning form. These should be submitted within 30 days of accepting the invitation to present.

INQUIRIES

All abstracts related inquiries should be sent to the email: ioanurses@yahoo.com with title "**Abstracts Inquiry**"

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