AMS N is pleased to announce the Call for Poster Abstracts for our Annual Convention for 2019. Have you implemented a creative nursing intervention, a new model for delivery of services, a cutting-edge clinical practice, or an innovative research project? If so, you are invited to share your expertise with colleagues.

Submission guidelines
Please visit the online AMSN Abstract Management System to register and submit your abstract for review at the following web address: https://www.conftool.org/amsn2019/

Abstract is limited to 450 words, excluding the title. Abstracts should contain a description of the project or subject matter, methodology if applicable, analysis, and results as indicated. All references to names and organizations within the body text should be removed that could identify the authors/investigators.

Poster abstracts that are product-based will not be considered.

Submission deadline
Abstracts must be received at the National Office no later than May 15th annually.

Submission questions
Any abstract submission questions should be directed to the following:

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Topic areas
- **Care coordination and transition management**: provides information for nurses who coordinate care and manage transitions of patients among levels of care, providers, and settings.
- **Clinical**: cutting-edge information about the clinical aspect of medical-surgical practice that may include clinical practice trends and new treatments.
- **Clinical Nurse Leadership** – presentations on how to develop leadership skills of the clinical nurse at the bedside and how this empowers nurses to influence changes to enhance patient and organizational outcomes.
- **Creating/Sustaining Healthy Practice Environments**: new ideas on how to create and/or sustain healthy practice environments in medical-surgical units with
increasingly complex demands. Promote optimal patient outcomes with varied staffing models.

- **Evidence-based practice**: integrates the best available evidence to guide nursing care and improve patient outcomes. This helps health practitioners address health care questions with an evaluative and qualitative approach.
- **Leadership**: emerging models of leadership, ways to influence outcomes and quality, and experiences integrating new models of care within the fiscally challenged environment to include the changing managed care arena.
- **Legislation/Health Policy Advocacy**: how nurses can promote effective health care laws, standards, systems and regulations that impact medical-surgical nursing. Health policy advocates promote improvements for both patients and fellow health care.
- **Research**: presentations on research-based studies relevant to medical-surgical nursing practice are encouraged. Also, research methods and discussion of research issues will be considered.

**Participants**
Nursing staff, administrators, educators, clinical nurse specialists, advanced practice nurses, and researchers who are involved in the delivery of nursing care in the medical-surgical arena.

**Authorship of abstracts**
The primary author/investigator submits the abstract with the full consent of all authors/investigators and has obtained the necessary institution clearance. A nurse should be one of the authors/investigators. AMSN members and non-members are invited to submit abstracts. Encore presentations may be submitted for consideration. The primary author will be the contact person for future correspondence.

**Biographical data and conflict of interest disclosure forms**
Biographical data and conflict of interest disclosure information is requested for any abstract submission. The primary author, primary presenter (if other than primary author), and any additional authors who are anticipated to be in attendance as presenters are requested to complete a copy of these forms and provide them with their abstract submission. **All biographical data and conflict of interest disclosure forms should be included with the abstract submission.**

**ANCC Standards**
Abstract authors must comply with the standards from *ANCC Standards for Disclosure and Commercial Support*. You may go to [www.ana.org](http://www.ana.org) to download the entire document. Below is a brief summary on the standards which apply to the abstracts:

- The abstract must be free of commercial interest.
- Commercial interest organizations are not eligible to submit abstracts.
- An individual must disclose any financial relationship with an entity with a commercial interest.
• The content or format of the CNE activity or its related materials must promote improvements or quality in health care and not a specific proprietary business interest of an entity with a commercial interest.
• Presentations must give a balanced view of therapeutic options. Use of generic names will contribute to this impartiality. If the CNE educational material or content includes trade names, when available trade names from several companies should be used, not just trade names from a single company.

Abstract submission, review, and acceptance
Abstracts must be submitted via the abstract management system by the requested deadline. A blind review of the abstract is directed by the AMSN Planning Committee. The abstract will be evaluated for the completion of requested information and adherence to all instructions. If an abstract does not adhere to the stated criteria, it will not be reviewed. Notice of the outcome of review will be sent in mid-July.

Poster presentation of abstract at convention
AMSN will supply an assigned presentation space and a 4-foot high by 8-foot wide cork display board. Format for the poster presentation should include a creative, visual presentation of the abstract content.

Poster presenters should be registered to attend the full convention. Primary poster presenters are eligible to receive a $100 discount off the full main convention registration fee. Only one discount per poster presentation. No travel or other expenses are provided. Presenters are responsible for all expense incurred for their presentation including, but not limited to, the poster itself.

Poster presenters should be present at their poster display for at least a portion of assigned poster presentation times to allow colleagues to ask questions. Exact times are subject to the final program and will be communicated to presenters. The presenter can be someone other than the primary author, but should be a registered nurse qualified to discuss the topic content.