



Call for abstracts for short presentations

**Have you thought about presenting your work at a conference?
Your colleagues would love to hear from you.**

The Drug and Alcohol Nurses of Australasia (DANA) Conference Committee extends an invitation to you to submit an abstract to present at DANA's *2020 Vision* Australasian Conference and Drug and Alcohol Nurse Practitioners Symposium.

The abstract may be for an oral presentation or a poster; suitable for novice or expert or somewhere in between.

We especially encourage submissions from novice presenters. If you are new to presenting, we can provide you with assistance to prepare for your presentation.

This event will take place at The Pullman Hotel, 16 Hindmarsh Square, Adelaide, South Australia on Thursday and Friday August 13th and 14th, 2020.

Key dates

Submission open 15th February 2020

Submission close 1st May 2020

Who we are

DANA is the peak nursing organisation in Australasia, providing leadership to nurses, nurse practitioners and midwives with a professional interest in drug and alcohol issues.

DANA also welcomes non-nursing peers who share the aims of DANA to promote collaborative partnerships that aim to achieve similar goals.

Theme and context

We welcome you to be a part of this exciting program that addresses the important work nurses undertake.

2020 Vision is the event theme, selected to encourage us to look at new ways of thinking, acting and working with people with lived experience.

2020 Vision will provide you with the opportunity to hear from, and network with leaders in the field. It will be a chance to share local and global knowledge about contemporary issues and effective clinical

practice. This is the opportunity for Drug and Alcohol Nurses from across Australasia to seek inspiration from and connect with colleagues.

Aims and objectives

The aims and objectives of the Conference include:

- provide an opportunity for nurses and nurse practitioners to showcase their research
- build awareness about national and international issues, policies and strategies related to drugs and alcohol
- increase knowledge about current research and how this translates into best clinical practice
- position DANA members for participation in discussions around alcohol and other drugs
- increase knowledge about the impact of alcohol and drug use
- network, engage and learn from consumers, colleagues, representatives from government and non-government agencies and key stakeholders
- strengthen the drug and alcohol nursing workforce.

Major themes

The Committee is calling for abstracts that relate to the theme, *2020 Vision*. This could include any of the major topics outlined below:

- Detection of problematic alcohol and other drug use in a wide variety of settings
- Prevention of drug and alcohol harms
- Trends in drug and alcohol assessment, treatment and research
- Consumer and clinician wellbeing
- Nurse led models of care
- Research exploring educating nurses in drug and alcohol issues.

Presentation formats

- Authors are invited to submit an abstract for a 10-minute presentation with 5 minutes question time
- Authors are asked to indicate if their presentation is intended for the **General Program** or the **Drug and Alcohol Nurses Practitioner Symposium**.

Note: Only nurse practitioners, or those in a transitional / candidacy roles (including those studying to become a nurse practitioner) are eligible to submit an abstract for an oral presentation under the Nurse Practitioner Symposium category.

- Posters may be no bigger than 1m x 2m.

Abstract timeline

Call for abstracts open	15.2.2020
Call for abstracts close	1.5.2020
Authors advised of submission outcome	15.5.2020
Presenter to confirm acceptance	22 .5.2020
Presenter registration due*	19.6.2020
Submission of presentation due	12.7.2020

**to take advantage of early bird rates presenters will need to register no later than 31.5.2020.*

Getting started

Abstracts must be submitted by email using the **Abstract Submission Form** AND the **Abstract Authors Form**. These are located on the **DANA conference website**. No other format will be considered.

When constructing your abstract please note that it must:

- contain text only
- follow the structure set out on the **Abstract Submission Form**
- be a maximum of 300 words, excluding the title (authors submitting abstracts over the word limit will be asked to amend their abstract within the submission period)
- not contain any author names or information (there is a separate form (the **Abstract Authors' Form**) for this that is also to be submitted by email).

Please note the following when you submit your abstract:

- The person submitting the abstract is the person who will receive all correspondence in relation to the abstract and is responsible for passing on information to co-authors and/or co-presenters and other parties.
- You must include the requested information for any co-authors and/or co-presenters as their name and organisation will be included in the program if the submission is successful.
- Author biographies should be no more than 100 words in length.
- Authors must read and agree to the Terms and Conditions for your submission to be accepted for consideration.

Abstracts are to be submitted to dana.nurses@gmail.com and include the subject title '**DANA 2020 Conference Abstract Submission**'.

Selection process and acceptance notification

- An Abstract Review Committee composed of drug and alcohol nursing peers will review all abstract submissions
- Reviewers will consider content, relevance to the conference theme, adherence to the specifications set out in the **Abstract Submission Form** and the overall quality of the submission.
- The Abstract Review Committee and Conference Committee are committed to providing a quality program. They are responsible for the composition of the program and the format of the presentations. Therefore, potential presenters may be asked to resubmit their abstract with some modification to enable the topic to be included within the program. This is not a judgement of quality, but an opportunity to ensure that the potential presenters have the chance to present their work. It is quite possible that quality papers may be rejected if they are not compliant or do not adequately demonstrate the Conference themes, or if several presenters are wishing to cover similar topics. However, unsuccessful applicants are strongly encouraged to reapply to present the following year.
- It is expected that the submitting author will be notified of their abstract submission outcome via email by **15th May 2020**.
- To confirm your place in the program please advise your acceptance by **22nd May 2020**.

Presenter requirements

- All presenters, including co-presenters, need to register for the Conference by **19th June 2020**, to confirm their final place in the program.
- To enable delegates to interact with presenters, we encourage speakers to attend the full day.
- It is a good idea to let your workplace know of your intention to submit a paper/poster. This will prevent potential delays in confirming your attendance should your paper be accepted.

Presenter terms and conditions

To submit an abstract for the Conference, the abstract submitter/main author must agree to the following Terms and Conditions that will apply if the abstract is accepted for presentation:

- I agree that I, and any co-presenters, will register for the Conference and pay the registration fee by the required date (*noting that presenters must pay for their own travel and accommodation to the Conference*).
- I agree to be the main contact for the event organisers in relation to the presentation and distribute information to any co-presenters.
- I agree to provide the PowerPoint Presentation to Conference organisers by the required date (and to bring a back up copy to the event on a memory stick).
- I give permission for my abstract and PowerPoint Presentation to be published in Conference material including the program, website and social media.
- I give permission for my provided biography to be given to the session chairperson prior to the Conference and for reductions to be made to my biography at the discretion of Conference organisers and the session chair.
- I agree to be photographed during my presentation and that these photos may be used in DANA publications, website and social media.

Further information

For further information about the Conference visit the [**DANA Conference website**](#).

For enquiries please contact the DANA Education Officer, Adam Searby, on [**dana.nurses@gmail.com**](mailto:dana.nurses@gmail.com)