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# Call for scientific abstracts

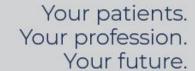
We are pleased to announce the call for abstracts for the Australasian College of Paramedicine International Conference 2020.

This year the conference will be held on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October to Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October and will be delivered online.

The main target audience of the conference is paramedics however attendees also include researchers in the pre-hospital setting and other emergency health care professionals.

Submissions close Friday 31st July 2020.

Please see below for further details on the submission process.





#### Information about abstract submissions

Abstracts can be submitted through our electronic abstract submission system until Friday 31st July 2020.

Authors will be notified of the outcome of the review process by Friday 18th September 2020.

Accepted abstracts will be presented as posters or as 15 minute oral presentations and, if the author agrees, will also be published in the Australasian Journal of Paramedicine.

The three best oral presentation abstracts will be selected to present in the 'Best of the Best' session. The winner will receive funding to present at an international conference.

The Australasian College of Paramedicine wishes to support junior researchers, therefore there is a special stream for undergraduate and honour students to submit their work. Literature reviews will be accepted as abstracts for this stream.

## **Submission guidelines**

Abstracts should be no longer than 350 words, excluding the title.

The main text of the abstract must follow the structure: Introduction, Aims, Methods, Results, Discussion.

Do not include references.

Do NOT include author/s names or affiliations as part of the submitted abstract.

The presenting author must register to the conference to be included in the final program.

Literature Reviews will not be accepted for submission except in the student stream. Systematic Reviews and Meta-analyses will be accepted for submission.



#### **Review criteria**

Submitted abstracts will be assessed by peer review by the ACPIC20 scientific committee. The committee will review all abstracts according to the following criteria:

- Relevance to paramedic profession
- Quality of the research
- Quality of the abstract
- Originality of the research idea

In their assessment, the scientific committee will focus on the following 5 aspects:

- Introduction of topic (relevance, originality)
- Aim (accurately defined)
- Methods (adequate statistics, clear description, ethical issues)
- Results (well supported, relevance)
- Discussion (based on findings and aims)

### **Considerations**

Studies that do not contain results rarely score well in the abstract process.

Literature reviews will be accepted in the student section of the conference program.

Systematic reviews will be accepted in the open section of the conference program.

For further information on ACPIC20 please visit: <a href="https://paramedics.org/events/acpic20">https://paramedics.org/events/acpic20</a>

#### **Submit**

Please read the above information thoroughly before submitting your abstract.

Only abstracts which follow the submission guidelines and are received before deadline will be taken into consideration by the scientific committee.

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Enquiries can be directed to kate.cantwell@ambulance.vic.gov.au

Submit your abstract through our online abstract submission system here