



Abstract Assessment Guidelines

Introduction

The conference will accept abstracts for assessment of integrated care practices, policies and research and theory. All accepted abstracts will be published in the [International Journal for Integrated Care](#).

Accepted abstracts will appear in the programme as a formal oral presentation and/or as a poster to be displayed in the exhibition area, as deemed appropriate by the scientific committee.

Abstract assessment process:

1. Abstract is submitted via online tool <https://www.conftool.net/ICIC18/>
 - a) Author to choose theme (s) of relevance (following guidelines [Appendix A](#))
 - b) Author to choose type of abstract (following guidelines [Appendix B](#))
2. Chairs will allocate abstract submitted to 2 potential reviewers based on topic relevance and country of origin.
 - a) Members of the SAC should inform the coordinator which themes and subthemes ([Appendix A](#)) and which type of abstract ([Appendix B](#)) they are more interested to review (if any).
3. Abstract will be peer reviewed by 2 members of the AAC:
 - a) The online tool offer reviewers the following option:
 - Score each abstract using the criteria established by the SC
 - Leave a comment to the authors
 - Leave a comment for other reviewers and the coordinator
 - Propose an abstract for an award
 - b) Abstract Revisions: an invitation to authors to revise would be sent if requested and agreed by the 2 reviewers. In that case the authors need to resubmit within a week. The coordinator to inform the reviewers when resubmission has been done.



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- c) Disagreements: In case of disagreement from the reviewers, the coordinator in liaison with the chair will decide.
4. Once all abstracts have been finally scored, the coordinator will develop draft full program with accepted abstracts in liaison with the conference chairs.
5. The Organizing Committee and the Scientific Committee will revise and comment on proposed draft full program.
6. Once full program has been agreed the authors are informed of the decision.

Criteria for assessment:

1. Thematic Relevance: Is it relevant to one or more of the Conference themes and topics? ([Appendix A](#))
2. Presentation: Does the abstract follow the agreed guidelines for each type of abstract (Science, Knowledge and Application)? ([Appendix B](#))
3. Quality of Content: Is the abstract well written and understandable for people not familiar with the field?
4. Significance: Is the paper relevant for its context?
5. Originality: Does the paper brings new perspectives, approaches or evidence on a particular subject?



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Appendix A ICIC18 Title, Themes and Sub-Themes

Conference Title

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Conference Themes

Value Based Integrated Care

- Enhancing the value of care to people
- Restructuring care delivery across sectors
- Improving system efficiency and health outcomes
- Measuring & evaluating costs and outcomes
- Utilising health care information technology

Population Health Management

- Tackling inequalities and the social determinants of health
- Improving population health outcomes
- Accountable Care Organisations (ACOs)
- Risk stratification & Big Data
- Strategy development, partnerships & leadership

Engaging and Empowering People and Communities

- Positive Health
- Co-designing care delivery with the community
- Health literacy and supported self-management
- Community capacity building: the role of informal carers and volunteers
- Patients as Owners of their Health Care Data

Funding Integrated Care

- New models of funding and payments
- Social investment in health
- Outcomes-based commissioning
- Measuring & evaluating costs and outcomes
- Business models



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Vulnerable Populations and Populations at Risk

- Frail Elderly, Dementia and End of Life Care
- Children and Young People
- Mental Health Care
- People with Complex Co-morbidity
- Drug and Alcohol Users
- Refugee and Asylum Seekers
- Remote and Rural Populations
- Indigenous Communities, Ethnic and Racial Minorities

Primary Care in an Integrated System

- Multidisciplinary Primary and Community Care Teams
- Care co-ordination & care transitions
- Intermediate care
- Innovation in General Practice and Community Services
- Integration between hospital, community and primary care services
- The role of Pharmacy and Pharmacists



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APPENDIX B Types of abstracts

1. General guidelines

- 1) All abstracts should be relevant to 1 or more of the conference themes/topics
- 2) All abstracts should include full contact details all authors
- 3) All abstracts should include a summary that is understandable to the readers who have not read the rest of the paper or do not know the practice and its context.
- 4) The abstract summary should be limited to 500 words.
- 5) The abstract summary should be structured and content key information requested for each type of paper. Please revise subtitles needed for abstract on integrated care practice, policy and research and theory below.
- 6) Include 3-5 keywords
- 7) If references are included they should follow IJIC reference style (Vancouver)
- 8) All abstracts should identify a lead presenter for inclusion in the programme

2. Structured Summary for abstracts on Science of Integrated Care (Research)

- 1) An introduction (comprising background and problem statement)
- 2) Theory/Methods
- 3) Results
- 4) Discussions
- 5) Conclusions (comprising key findings)
- 6) Lessons learned
- 7) Limitations
- 8) Suggestions for future research

3. Structured Summary for abstracts on Knowledge of Integrated Care (Policy)

- 1) An introduction (comprising background and problem statement)
- 2) Description of policy context and objective
- 3) Targeted population
- 4) Highlights (innovation, Impact and outcomes)



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- 5) Comments on transferability
- 6) Conclusions (comprising key findings, discussion and lessons learned)

3. Structured Summary for abstracts on Application of Integrated Care (Practice)

- 1) An introduction (comprising context and problem statement)
- 2) Short description of practice change implemented
- 3) Aim and theory of change
- 4) Targeted population and stakeholders
- 5) Timeline
- 6) Highlights (innovation, Impact and outcomes)
- 7) Comments on sustainability
- 8) Comments on transferability
- 9) Conclusions (comprising key findings)
- 10) Discussions
- 11) Lessons learned

4. Structured Summary for abstracts relating to Workshop/Network Discussion

1. Background
2. Aims and Objectives
3. Format (timing, speakers, discussion, group work, etc)
4. Target audience
5. Learnings/Take away