2023 Call for Abstracts

INSTRUCTIONS

YOU ARE INVITED TO SUBMIT AN ABSTRACT FOR REVIEW and possible presentation at the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics Food & Nutrition Conference & Expo™ (FNCE®) in Denver, CO October 7-10, 2023

DEADLINE

The online Call for Abstracts opens January 1, 2023. Only abstracts **submitted online before 5 PM Central Time on Wednesday, February 16, 2023,** and that follow all submission guidelines described below will be reviewed. Paper and e-mail abstracts will not be accepted. Please read this information carefully and go to https://eatrightfnce.org/program/posters-abstract-presenters/ to submit your abstract.

CALL FOR LATE-BREAKING ABSTRACTS

If your data/outcomes will not be finalized by the February 16th deadline, you are encouraged to submit a late breaking abstract. This category is intended for ground-breaking research that was not available at the time of the original abstract deadline, not to offer a second deadline for those abstracts that were not accepted.

The Academy will be accepting a _limited_ number of late-breaking abstracts. The submission site for late-breaking abstracts will open May 1 and close May 31. Notifications will be sent in July.

WHAT IS AN ABSTRACT?

An **abstract** is a brief, written summary (no more than 250 words) of the specific ideas or concepts to be presented, and a statement of their relevance to practice or research.

ABSTRACT PRESENTATION CATEGORIES

Qualifying abstract submissions in all nutrition and dietetic related topics are encouraged and will be peer-reviewed for poster presentation at FNCE® 2023.

The following three types of abstracts are presented:

- **Research abstracts** include brief descriptions of the author's original research methodology (includes design, subject characteristics, and procedures), major findings, and conclusions, implications, or applications for dietetics practice.
- **Project or program report abstracts** contain information about the need or purpose for such a program or project; the theory or previous research on which it is based; the unique characteristics of the project or program; the characteristics of subjects or target audience involved; and the type of evaluation or proposed use for the tool or instrument development.
- **Future Practice abstracts** describe an original or new idea, method or tool that applies the change drivers identified by the Council on Future Practice. Change drivers are external and internal factors that will affect the preferred future of the profession of nutrition and dietetics. View the Visioning page for more information.

Poster Presentations offer content using charts, graphs, illustrations, or photographs. Posters allow for informal, one-on-one or small group discussions with the presenter about the issue, problem, project, or research addressed in the poster. The poster area will consist of one cork-surface bulletin board on which to mount presentation information, and one material table, provided by the Academy.

Future Practice Presentations Each future practice participant will present a five-minute oral presentation on a set stage. The presentation will be followed by up to five minutes of Q&A from the judges. A maximum of eight Future Practice Presentations will be accepted for the session. The Future Practice session will be held on Monday, October 9, 2023.

All accepted poster and future practice presenters are:

- required to attend FNCE® and be present throughout the assigned session;
- responsible for expenses incurred for their presentation, such as production and shipping;
- responsible for paying the appropriate meeting registration fee for the day they are scheduled to present plus all personal expenses (e.g., travel, hotel, meals);
- required to complete and sign a disclosure statement and the Academy Commercialism Policy statement prior to abstract acceptance; and
- required, if it becomes necessary for the presenter to withdraw from attending FNCE®, to find an appropriate presenter replacement (co-author) and to notify the Academy of this change immediately. Presenters who withdraw, but do not notify the Academy, may not participate at FNCE® the following year.

ACADEMY COMMERCIALISM POLICY

The Academy maintains full control over the planning, content, and implementation of all programs presented during FNCE®, including the selection of speakers, moderators, and faculty. The intent of FNCE® programs is to provide quality sessions focused on educational content free from commercial influence or bias. The Academy prohibits presentations that have as their purpose or effect promotion and/or advertising. This specifically includes pervasive or inappropriate use of brands, trademarks, or logos. Presentations designed primarily as describing commercially marketed programs, publications, or products will not be accepted or tolerated. To this end, program planners, session participants, and sponsors are prohibited from engaging in scripting or targeting commercial or promotional points for specific emphasis, or other actions designed to infuse the overall content of the program with commercial or promotional messages. Statements made should not be viewed as, or considered representative of, any formal position taken on any product, subject, or issue by Academy. It is the responsibility of the program planner to ensure compliance by all speakers.

REVIEW PROCESS

All "blind" abstracts (see Rules for Submission) are peer-reviewed by a panel of three nutrition and dietetics practitioners with specific experience in appropriate practice areas.

Reviewers may not score/evaluate any abstract with which they have affiliation, prior knowledge, or personal commitment.

Research Abstracts are reviewed on the basis of the following:

- *Research outcome* (focus, clarity, justification of the research question)
- *Methods* (adequate description of design and appropriateness to the research question)
- *Analysis* (analytic procedures appropriate to the data collected and the research question)
- *Results* (scientifically sound, valid presentation, and interpretation of the results consistent with research question)
- *Conclusions* (appropriate representation of the results consistent with research question)
- Overall scientific quality merit of the research and contribution to the science.

Program or Project Report Abstracts are reviewed on the basis of the following:

- *Relevance* (clear purpose stated, appropriateness, timeliness, audience intrigue)
- *Priority* (recognized precedent; cutting-edge concern)
- *Originality* (uniqueness of topic or format)
- *Synthesis* (evaluation of report results, findings, or applications).

Future Practice Abstracts are reviewed on the basis of the following:

- *Alignment* with a change driver or future trend.
- *Application of the change driver* to advance future practice, education, and/or research.
- *How it demonstrates* favorable outcomes-process data and/or participant feedback.
- *Scalability (dissemination, usability, focus on long-term goals).*

The Academy will summarize peer review results and make all final abstract selection decisions. If you have any questions or require additional information, contact Erin Powell, Learning Innovations Manager, at epowell@eatright.org. **Only presenting authors receive correspondence**. This correspondence includes an inquiry of intent if your submitted abstract is incomplete, and then a final status notification to be e-mailed at the end of April. It is the presenting author's responsibility to notify all co-authors of the abstract status.

RULES FOR SUBMISSION

Read all the following information before accessing the abstract submission site:

1. Complete and submit all required fields in the online form including the funding source.
2. Students submitting abstracts must provide the name, e-mail, and phone number of their faculty advisor.
3. Abstracts must be original material and may not have been previously published, printed, or presented before FNCE® 2023. In addition, abstracts found to have been printed, published, or presented prior to October 2023 will be disqualified from presentation at FNCE®.
4. Research results and/or conclusions must be completed at the time of submission.
5. Proofread your abstract carefully. Do **NOT** rely on computer spell-check software only. Any abstracts that have significant typographical or grammatical errors will be disqualified.
6. If accepted, the original Abstract Form as submitted online will be published "as is" in the September 2023 Supplement to the *Journal of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics.* All abstract authors will be listed in the *Journal* supplement. Accepted late-breaking abstract submissions will be published in the October issue of the Journal of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics.
7. Submissions must be **made by 5 PM Central time** on Wednesday, February 16, 2023. NO e-mailed or faxed abstracts will be accepted. **Abstracts that do not comply with these instructions will not be reviewed.**

For additional information on abstract writing and poster session displays and to access the submission site, visit http://www.eatrightfnce.org/fnce/abstractsubmission/

Awards for 2023 Food & Nutrition Conference & EXPO™ (FNCE®) PROGRAM PARTICIPANTS

Award programs are available to members submitting abstracts for consideration at FNCE® 2023. To find out about specific awards, please visit http://www.eatrightfnce.org/fnce/abstractsubmission/