



SNRS 40th Annual Conference

Committed to Nursing Science

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SCHEDULE FOR ABSTRACT SUBMISSIONS FOR THE 2026 ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The Southern Nursing Research Society Annual Conference provides an opportunity for SNRS members to report on ongoing completed research, scholarly projects, and research-related presentations.

- **Scholarly projects** are defined as evidence-based practice or quality improvement projects.
- **Research-Related Presentations may include:** Research career trajectories, methodological challenges, theoretical frameworks, processes for conducting or promoting research in unique settings, subject recruitment or retention strategies, the role of nurse scientists in clinical settings, the role of DNP prepared nurses in facilitating evidence-based practice, DNP/PhD collaboration, innovative strategies for teaching research content, research mentoring, grant writing and other strategies for securing research resources.

Call for Abstracts Schedule:

- **Call for Pre-Conference and/or Post-Conference Workshops:** June 20 – July 11, 2025.
Acceptance notifications will be sent by e-mail by mid-October.
- **First Call for Abstracts:** June 20- August 1, 2025
SNRS will be accepting submissions for the first call for **Podium, Poster, and Symposium** presentations. Faculty, practicing nurses, and student nurses may submit during the first call. Acceptance notifications will be sent by e-mail in early November.
- **Second Call for Student Poster Abstracts:** August 1- September 1, 2025
The first author and primary presenter on these abstracts must be a student at the time of submission, or during the past year when the work was completed. These abstracts may focus on research or scholarly projects; however, they will only be considered for poster presentations. *The **Top Student Posters** will be selected from this **Second Call** of student research and scholarly project abstract submissions.*
Acceptance notifications will be sent by e-mail in early November.

The information below will help you to prepare your submission.

[First you will create an account](#). After you create a profile and an access key (password) you will be taken to a page to agree to privacy terms. On the next page, you will select **“Click here to begin a new abstract”**.

RESEARCH SUBMISSIONS:

SNRS accepts research submissions in podium, poster, or symposium formats. Each must follow the guidelines specified for that format. Research submission abstracts meet the following criteria:

- Abstract titles are limited to a maximum of 10 words.
- Research abstracts must include: Introduction/Significance, Methods, Results, Discussion, and Conclusions.
- Preliminary results and conclusions may be used at the time of abstract submission; but studies must be complete prior to presentation.

Research Podium Presentations:

- Accepted podium presentations will be grouped by the program committee into thematic areas with 5 to 6 papers per concurrent session. Typically, each presenter will have 10 minutes to present and 3 minutes for questions. **Only one presenter per abstract presents the paper, usually the lead author.** Concurrent sessions are typically 90 minutes in length.
- Abstracts scoring in an acceptable range, but below the threshold for a podium presentation, may be offered the opportunity to present in poster format.

Research Symposiums:

- SNRS accepts symposiums of completed research.
- Symposiums include **a minimum of FOUR abstracts** with a unifying theme.
- The corresponding author will submit the symposium overview first by selecting the “Research Symposium Overview” presentation type. After submission of the overview, the corresponding author should provide each author of the supporting abstracts with their Abstract ID number of the completed Symposium Overview. Supporting authors will be prompted to submit that number when selecting the Presentation Type (Research Symposium Supporting Abstract). The unifying theme must appear in each abstract. Each abstract will receive an individual evaluation and then the symposium as a whole receives an evaluation.

Research Posters:

- Accepted posters will be assigned by the Planning Committee to one of 3 poster sessions held in the exhibit hall on Wednesday, Thursday, or Friday. Each session is typically one hour in length. Presenters are expected to remain with their posters for the full hour.

SCHOLARLY PROJECT SUBMISSIONS:

Scholarly projects are defined as evidenced-based or quality improvement projects.

- Abstract titles are limited to a maximum of 10 words.
- These abstracts must include: Introduction/Significance, Methods, Results, Discussion, and Conclusions.
- Preliminary results and conclusions may be used at the time of abstract submission; but studies must be complete prior to presentation.

Scholarly Project Podium Presentations:

- Reports of completed evidence-based practice projects or quality improvement projects may be presented as podium presentations.
- Accepted podium presentations will be grouped by the program committee into thematic areas with 5 to 6 papers per concurrent session. Typically, each presenter will have 10 minutes to present and 3 minutes for questions. **Only one presenter per abstract presents the paper, usually the lead author.** Concurrent sessions are typically 90 minutes in length.
- Abstracts scoring in an acceptable range, but below the threshold for a podium presentation, may be offered the opportunity to present in poster format.

Scholarly Projects Symposiums:

- Reports of completed evidence-based practice projects or quality improvement projects may be presented as a symposium presentation. Symposiums include **a minimum of FOUR** scholarly project abstracts with a unifying theme.
- The corresponding author will submit the symposium overview first by selecting the “Scholarly Projects Symposium Overview” presentation type. After submission of the overview, the corresponding author should provide each author of the supporting abstracts with the Abstract ID number of the completed Symposium Overview. Supporting authors will submit their own abstract by selecting the “Scholarly Projects Symposium Supporting Abstract” presentation type. Supporting authors will be prompted to submit that number when selecting the Presentation Type (Scholarly Projects Symposium Supporting Abstract). The unifying theme must appear in each abstract. Each abstract will receive an individual evaluation and then the symposium as a whole receives an evaluation.

Scholarly Project Poster Presentations:

- Accepted posters will be assigned by the Planning Committee to one of 3 poster sessions held in the exhibit hall on Wednesday, Thursday, or Friday. Each session is typically one hour in length. Presenters are expected to remain with their posters for the full hour.

RESEARCH-RELATED SUBMISSIONS:

SNRS will offer a few sessions for research-related presentations. These presentations may include:

- Research career trajectories, methodological challenges, theoretical frameworks, processes for conducting or promoting research in unique settings, subject recruitment or retention strategies, the role of nurse scientists in clinical settings, the role of DNP prepared nurses in facilitating evidence-based practice, DNP/PhD collaboration, innovative strategies for teaching research content, research mentoring, grant writing, other strategies for securing research resources, or research dissemination and implementation strategies.

Research-Related Podium Presentations:

- Accepted podium presentations will be grouped by the program committee into thematic areas with 5 to 6 papers per concurrent session. Typically, each presenter will have 10 minutes to present and 3 minutes for questions. **Only one presenter per abstract presents the paper, usually the lead author.** Concurrent sessions are typically 90 minutes in length.
- Abstracts scoring in an acceptable range, but below the threshold for a podium presentation, may be offered the opportunity to present in poster format.

Research-Related Symposiums:

- Symposiums include a **minimum of FOUR** abstracts with a unifying theme.
 - The corresponding author will submit the symposium overview first by selecting the “Research-Related Symposium Overview” presentation type. After submission of the overview, the corresponding author should provide each author of the supporting abstracts with their Abstract ID number of the completed Symposium Overview. Supporting authors will submit their own abstract by selecting the “Research-Related Symposium Supporting Abstract” presentation type. Supporting authors will be prompted to submit that number when selecting the Presentation Type (Research-Related Symposium Supporting Abstract). The unifying theme must appear in each abstract. Each abstract will receive an individual evaluation and then the symposium as a whole receives an evaluation.

Research-Related Posters:

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SECOND CALL for STUDENT POSTERS ONLY

- Student poster abstracts may be submitted by students currently enrolled in educational programs, or authors who completed their work while a student (in the previous year).
- Abstracts describing **research projects or scholarly evidence-based practice projects** which are complete or in progress may be submitted.
- The student must be the first author and presenter of the abstract, although additional authors may include faculty advisors or other collaborators.
- Student presenters must attest that the faculty advisor or designee has read and approved the abstract and upload a faculty form provided by SNRS if the abstract is accepted.
- Student **research and scholarly project** poster abstracts are eligible for the **Top Student Poster Awards Session, if they are submitted during this second abstract call**. The top 10 student posters, chosen during abstract review process, will be featured in a special poster session, which includes 5-minute podium presentations by the lead student authors, in addition to their poster presentations.

PRE/POST-CONFERENCE PROPOSALS:

SNRS will host a limited number of Pre-Conference (Wednesday morning) and/or Post conference (Friday afternoon) workshops. Pre-Conference sessions will be held on the morning of the first conference day (Wednesday) from 8:00am-11:30am with a 15-minute break. Pre-Conference sessions will be held only if the numbers of paid registrations meet the budget for the session. Post-conference sessions will be held on the last day of the conference (Friday) from 1:00pm-3:00pm. Pre/Post-Conference sessions will be held as workshop sessions with a minimum of TWO and a maximum of FIVE speakers per workshop. These workshops may focus on:

- Specific populations (e.g. RIIG themes, doctoral students, mid-career researchers)
- Research skill acquisition (e.g. Publication, Grant Writing);
- Specific research challenges (e.g. Vulnerable populations, Building interpersonal teams, Multi-site studies).

Pre/Post-Conference workshop proposals will be evaluated on: Significance and appeal to the SNRS audience, congruence with the conference theme, and logical consistency of related abstracts in the proposal. The most important consideration is the strength of appeal to a broad audience of SNRS members. Assignments to pre-conference vs. post-conference sessions will be determined by the planning committee.

General Guidelines FOR ALL SUBMISSIONS (except Pre and Post Conferences), please observe the following:

- **All abstracts** will be submitted through the Cadmium Scorecard collection platform.
- SNRS requires a \$25 submission fee per abstract submission. You will be required to pay this fee during your Cadmium Scorecard submission. Pre/Post-Conference Workshops do not require a fee.
- Abstracts must be submitted by closing dates/times as noted in the call schedule. No extensions or exceptions will be granted. Individuals who plan to submit an abstract should sign into the Cadmium Scorecard abstract system at least five business days prior to the submission deadline to avoid any technical difficulties. NOTE: You will be required to complete the entire application once you start in Sessionboard. However, you can go back into your submission and make edits until the close date. No submissions will be reviewed or downloaded prior to the close date.
- Text is limited to 2,500 characters which includes any characters, punctuation, and spaces.
- Title case **only** will be accepted for abstract titles (capitalize the first letter of words other than short conjunctions, articles and prepositions) and limited to 10 words. **Example: This is a Title.**
- Please contact Cadmium Scorecard support for help related to technical difficulties. There is a “Technical Support” option at the top right of the submission site.
- For submission questions, please contact SNRS at info@snrs.org.
- Please note: SNRS reserves the right to disqualify your abstract, even after acceptance, if submission guidelines are not followed.

FAQs for lead (1st) authors:

- **What information do I need to provide with my abstract?** You will provide your name, institution affiliation, city and state of the institution, and email address when you submit your abstract.
- **Symposium:** The author of the Symposium Overview must share Abstract ID number with their supporting authors. The Symposium Supporting Abstract author will be asked to include this number in their submission.
- **Do I need to be an SNRS member to submit an abstract?** SNRS membership is not required to submit an abstract, but you must be a member to present your abstract if accepted.
- **What do my abstract co-authors need to provide for abstract submission?** Each additional author(s) will be asked to provide names, institution affiliation, city and state of the institution, and email address.
- **Who is responsible for abstract acceptance communication?** All communications regarding the abstract will be sent to the lead author. **The lead author is responsible for communicating all information to additional authors.**
- **How many abstracts may I submit?** You may submit only ONE abstract as a lead author in each category (research, scholarly projects, research-related). Duplicate submissions, to more than one category, will not be accepted or reviewed.
- SNRS membership is not required for co-authors, if accepted to present, unless the co-author presents. There is no limit in the number of submissions for which you may be a co-author.
- **How are abstracts selected?** Presentations will be selected based on scientific merit by means of blind review. SNRS reserves the right to pull an abstract, even after acceptance, if the author does not follow the SNRS abstract guidelines. No information from the reviews is made available to the authors.
- **Can I make edits to my abstract after the submission site closes?** No, you cannot make any edits to

your abstract after the submission site closes. You must enter all information exactly as you wish it to appear in the conference program. Please include complete information for additional authors, including institution and credentials. All author information will be listed in the abstract proceedings. First author information will only appear in the program app. Please check your abstract, title, and author information carefully before final submission. NOTE: You will be required to complete the entire application once you start in Sessionboard. However, you can go back into your submission and make edits until the close date. No submissions will be reviewed or downloaded prior to the close date.

- **How will I know if I am accepted?**

If selected, the first author will receive an e-mail notification by mid-November. The first author will need to notify all other authors on the abstract. **Only one author (usually the first author) will present the abstract.**

- **What do I do if I am accepted?**

With abstract acceptance, you will have 30 days to accept or decline the invitation to present at the conference. Instructions will accompany the acceptance e-mail.

- You must register and pay for the conference, have current membership in SNRS, upload all required information and presentations by the deadline, and give permission for duplication of abstracts for inclusion in online conference proceedings.

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