

Thank you for your interest in submitting a Poster Abstract for NTI 2027! Please review the following information to help guide you through the submission process:

General Information

AACN members and nonmembers may submit an NTI Poster Abstract(s) online via their AACN account in one or more of the following categories:

- Beacon Journey to Excellence
- Chapter Best Practices
- Clinical Scene Investigator (CSI) Academy
- Healthy Work Environment (HWE)
- Evidence-Based Solutions (EBS)
- Research (RES)

Poster abstracts **must contain documented results or outcomes and/or sustainability PRIOR to submitting the abstract for consideration.** Articulating the results helps reviewers understand the problem, learn your key findings and highlight any additional observations. External peer-reviewers evaluate poster abstracts, which meet the needs of critical and progressive care nurses and seem to be technically sound and scientifically valid.

The online poster abstract submission process will require the upload of your updated resume or curriculum vitae (CV). Please also ensure your AACN profile is current including your organization details. If you're unsure of how to update your AACN profile, please contact our Customer Care Department (info@aacn.org) for assistance.

You may submit the abstract for consideration at NTI even if submitted to other nursing conference or the abstract is already published. If another journal published or another conference accepted the poster abstract for presentation **and** AACN has accepted the abstract for digital presentation at NTI 2027, primary authors are required to notify us via email.

Posters are digital and will be available for electronic viewing only.

AACN communicates solely through email for primary and additional authors. Please ensure to add posters@aacn.org to your email contact list so any emails do not get sent to your spam folder.

Primary Author's Responsibilities

The individual who submits the poster abstract(s) via their AACN account is the primary author. Once the primary author submits their poster abstract, they will receive a confirmation email from posters@aacn.org with instructions to invite co-authors. All co-authors must add themselves to the poster abstract prior to the co-author submission deadline. Once the co-author submission deadline has passed, AACN is unable to manually add additional co-authors.

Primary authors and co-authors are required to upload their own resume or curriculum vitae and complete an Individual Disclosure and Mitigation form through the online abstract submission process.

Please take a moment and review the Individual Disclosure and Mitigation Policy.

NTI 2027 Poster Abstract Submission Guidelines

Inclusive and Unbiased Content Creation

Content, which adheres to the principles of equity and inclusion, and is free from bias, can help support and contribute to nursing practice that is similarly equitable. Recognizing that content development has many inputs and is created and reviewed by a wide variety of contributors and stakeholders, the following guiding principles are established. These guiding principles will enhance subject matter experts, creators', contributors' and reviewers' ability to ensure content is inclusive, avoids bias and stigmatization, and effectively reaches its intended audience.

In addition, due to accreditation requirements, we are unable to accept poster abstracts that feature specifics about a medical device or pharmaceutical product.

AACN Inclusive and Unbiased Content Creation – Guiding Principles

Equity Lens

Use an equity lens (inclusive of health equity) for content planning, development, and dissemination. An equity and inclusion lens means intentionally looking at the potential positive and negative impacts of communication.

Inclusive Language

Use inclusive, person-first and identity-first language. Language is a powerful tool that can draw us closer together or drive us further apart. There are limitations and harmful consequences of some commonly used words and phrases.

Promote Fairness

Avoid bias by staying away from generalization, unintentional blaming and stigmatization. Content should promote fairness and impartiality. Bias and stigma are potential factors in perpetuating healthcare disparities and could have a negative impact on the learner.

Writing your Poster Abstract

Please thoroughly review the Key Elements for the Poster Category you're interested in submitting for as these elements are what will be listed on the online poster submission form. We **highly encourage** you to write and save your abstract submission in a Word or Google Document. This will help you keep track of your word count and retain a copy of your poster abstract for your records. The Key Elements for each Poster Category is also provided to the peer reviewers as part of their reviewer criteria.

Poster abstract(s) are focused on one specific topic. Maximize the text to convey your entire project. Proofread and invite another person to read it to ensure he/she understands the abstract. No edits are made to the abstracts before they go to the peer-reviewers.

Paraphrase the evidence to support your topic - it does not have to be in AMA or APA format. Evidence adds value and helps to convince the reviewers to the accuracy of your statements.

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Poster Categories and Key Elements Document

Beacon Journey to Excellence – [Beacon Key Elements Document](#)

These posters demonstrate the standards for excellence in patient care environments by showcasing evidence-based information that relates to at least one category from the Beacon criteria. *Participation is limited to current Beacon-designated units.*

Chapter Best Practices – Chapters Key Elements Document

These posters highlight the work of AACN Chapters and are specific to the management, operations and improvements in its processes, which result in positive outcomes of the Chapter's initiatives. *Participation is limited to the work within AACN Chapters.*

Clinical Scene Investigator (CSI) Academy – [CSI Key Elements Document](#)

CSI posters showcase innovative change projects that positively impact the health of the work environment, patient or nurse outcomes. *Participation is limited to current CSI participants and alumni.*

Healthy Work Environment (HWE)

Creating a healthy work environment (HWE) enables nurses to provide the highest standards of compassionate patient care while being fulfilled at work. These include the overall health of the work environment, better nurse staffing and retention, less moral distress and lower rates of workplace violence.

Evidence-Based Solutions (EBS) – [EBS Key Elements Document](#)

EBS poster abstracts often showcase efforts in organizational or quality (process) improvements. When these improvements are applied across the spectrum of critical or progressive care, they help achieve positive outcomes and often meet or surpass established nursing standards. It's a great way to highlight dedicated efforts to enhance patient care and uphold high standards.

Research (RES) – [RES Key Elements Document](#)

Nursing research poster abstracts highlight various aspects of the continuum of critical and/or progressive care. This includes, but is not limited to, patient care, nursing practice, creating healthy work environments, nursing leadership, and education. The research can be original, replicated studies, or research utilization.

Research Poster Abstract Awards

These poster abstracts are submitted in the Research category, and the top-scoring abstracts, after peer review by AACN volunteers, become candidates for a research poster abstract award. This award includes a monetary honorarium to help researchers attend NTI. To be considered, abstracts should be of high quality and clearly present the research, including documented outcomes. AACN recognizes up to four research poster abstracts for this award at each NTI.

Acceptance Notifications

We will send accept or decline notifications to the primary poster author by January 2027.

Accepted poster abstracts are copyedited for online publication in either AACN's *American Journal of Critical Care* (RES) or *Critical Care Nurse* (EBS).

A list of Submitting Poster Abstracts - Frequently Asked Questions can be found [here](#).