





SATURDAY, 31st JULY ADELAIDE

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS – NOW OPEN

The Scientific Committee invites all ACRA members and other healthcare professionals interested in cardiovascular health and rehabilitation to submit abstracts for oral or poster presentation at the ACRA SA/NT Showcase 2021, to be held in Adelaide. The theme of this year's meeting is *Better Together*, to highlight approaches and healthcare innovations which bring patients and clinicians closer to each other, especially during challenging times such as the COVID-19 pandemic. Both in-person and virtual oral presentations are invited.

Abstract categories

Clinical practice (Max 250 words)

Have you identified a gap in knowledge relating to clinical practice that warranted investigation? Have you established a new service to fill an identified need for secondary prevention of cardiovascular disease? Do you have tips for implementation that you could you pass on to others? This is your chance to share your challenging clinical scenarios with your colleagues, and guide discussion for potential improvements.

Suggested headings:

- **Background/Rationale:** Indicate why the topic is important (knowledge gap). Why was your project undertaken?
- **Methods:** Succinct description of what was done and how, by whom, involving whom and where? What measurements were taken and how?
- **Outcomes:** What did you find/discover? Be succinct yet give the reader a summary analysis of the data and any table or figure.
- **Implications for practice:** What are the clinical implications of this work? What can other practitioners learn? How might this change practice?
- **Conclusions** / **Key messages:** What can be concluded from the project? Keep your conclusions reasonable and ensure they can be confirmed by the findings of your work. What are the suggestions for future work?

Research (Max 250 words)

Have you conducted scientific research or investigated a topic in the field of cardiovascular care or secondary prevention of cardiovascular disease? This is your chance to submit an abstract on the latest research and to present original data (including quantitative or qualitative studies, systematic/narrative reviews and meta-analyses).

Suggested headings:

- **Background:** Outline the knowledge gap/why is this topic important. State the aim of your research.
- **Methods:** Succinct description of study design and methodology including <u>P</u>opulation/ problem; <u>Intervention/Exposure</u>; <u>C</u>omparison/control (if applicable); and <u>O</u>utcome measure? What data were collected and how were they managed/ analysed?
- **Results:** What did you find/discover? Be succinct yet give the reader a summary analysis of the data and any table or figure.
- **Conclusions/Implications:** What can be concluded from the project? Keep your conclusions reasonable and ensure they can be confirmed by the findings of your work. What are the health/policy implications, and implications for future work?

Abstract preparation guidelines

- 1. Abstracts may report on clinical practice or research projects and preferably related to the *Better Together* theme.
- 2. Abstracts should be submitted as a Microsoft Word document using Arial Size 12 font with 1.5 line spacing. Title and headings as shown above should be typed in bold font.
- 3. The word count, excluding title, should not exceed 250 words.
- 4. Author details should be included in the abstract and will be removed to allow for blind reviewing.
- 5. Do not mention institution or author affiliations in the main body of the abstract.



Abstract submission

Abstracts should be submitted as Word document attachments and emailed to <u>acra2021asm@gmail.com</u>

The body of the email should include the corresponding authors' name and institutions, and contact details including phone number. For oral presentations, please state whether delivery will be in-person or virtual.

Key Dates

Call for abstracts close: 31 May 2021; 5pm CSTNotification of abstract acceptance: 14 June 2021