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REGULATING HEALTH PROFESSIONALS IN THE 21ST CENTURY

The Health Professions Council of South Africa (HPCSA) is hosting its 1st National Conference from Sunday, 18th August 2019 until Tuesday, 20th August 2019 at Emperors Palace, Kempton Park, Gauteng.

The Conference seeks to bring together delegates across all health sectors to affirm the HPCSA's commitment to best practice in health regulation and to form and renew its network of colleagues and peers in the regulatory field.

The HPCSA is therefore inviting submission of Scientific Abstracts. Authors are asked to submit abstracts under one or more of the following categories -

WORKSPACE/ ENVIRONMENT OF THE HEALTH PROFESSIONAL	EDUCATION AND TRAINING	ETHICS, DIGITAL INNOVATION AND THE WAVE OF THE 4TH INDUSTRIAL REVOLUTION
<p data-bbox="167 1473 512 1585">Team-Based Care (various models and its impact) Multi - Inter - Trans</p> <p data-bbox="167 1608 512 1720">Employment vs Professional Autonomy</p> <p data-bbox="167 1742 512 1888">Caring for the Carer Practitioner Wellness Inspiring morale of the health practitioner</p> <p data-bbox="167 1910 512 2022">Leadership & Governance in the Healthcare Space</p>	<p data-bbox="639 1473 984 1585">Continued Competence CPD/MOL</p> <p data-bbox="639 1608 984 1753">Training Platforms/Accreditation ensuring competent practitioners</p> <p data-bbox="639 1776 984 1888">Competency Based Approach</p> <p data-bbox="639 1910 984 2022">Team-Based Care Current Training Platforms</p>	<p data-bbox="1114 1473 1458 1630">Ethical Engagement in the Digital Era Social Media Platforms. E-Health M-Health Telemedicine</p> <p data-bbox="1114 1664 1458 1832">The role of the healthcare practitioners and community representatives in advocating for patients' rights</p> <p data-bbox="1114 1865 1458 2022">Regulation of Assistive Devices and Technology</p>

1. SUBMISSION STEP ONE: REGISTER ONLINE

Online Submissions @ www.hpcsaconference.co.za

STEP 01

Register an account

Click on **REGISTER** upon arriving at the landing page of the abstract submission portal. If you already have an existing account you may proceed directly to **LOGIN**.

The same account is used for abstract submissions and delegate registration

STEP 02

Login

Click the **LOGIN** link and login using your email address and password. After logging the first time, you will be taken to your abstracts dashboard where you can create your abstract and save as a draft and/or submit your abstract.

STEP 03

Submitting your abstract

Instructions are included on the abstract dashboard. Simply follow them step by step. Authors must indicate which of the three sub-themes their abstract relates to.

You will be able to save and return to work on your abstract in a draft state until you click submit. Once submitted the abstract can no longer be edited.

Note: The Scientific Committee will not be held responsible for abstract submissions not received via the website or for submission errors caused by internet service outages, hardware or software delays, power outages or unforeseen events.

2. GUIDELINES AND REQUIREMENTS

Please read through the submission instructions below before preparing your abstract:

- All submissions must be completed electronically via the online submission facility.
- If you are unable to submit in this manner, please contact the Conference Organising Office for further information at –
 - conference@hpcsac.co.za
 - +27 12 338 9320
 - +27 82 052 1772
- All abstracts must be prepared according to the guidelines provided, namely –
 - Category theme and sub theme for the submission, as per the [list above](#).
 - Methods: briefly describe project/study design and results.
 - Abstracts must be original work.
 - Abstracts must be submitted by the presenting author.
 - Authors must provide the affiliation(s) such as department, organization.
 - When and where the presentation content has already been published and/or presented.
- The abstract must contain sufficient information to provide an overview of the whole presentation.
- The abstract should not contain statements alluding to results or conclusions that are not presented within the text.
- The author will be requested to provide a short biography (Up to 100 words) **see “my biography” section on website.**
- There is no limit to the number of abstracts that may be submitted by an individual. However, splitting a body of work into multiple abstracts is discouraged and consolidation into one abstract is preferred.

- The presenting author must have registered for the Conference in order to ensure their abstract is included in the final programme.
- Submission of an abstract acknowledges the author's consent to publication of the abstract in the Conference programme.

The deadline for receipt of abstracts is 31st May 2019.

3. ABSTRACT FORMAT

- The abstract body must not exceed **300** words.
- The word limit relates only to the body of the abstract and does not include title, authors, qualifications, affiliations and institutions. These should be populated in the section below the abstract as per submission site.
- The abstract title must not exceed **150** characters.
- It is the author's responsibility to ensure that the title, author and affiliation details entered in the abstract submission site are correct and exactly as they should be published on the abstract and all conference materials.
- Abstracts must be free from typographical and grammatical errors.
- Standard abbreviations may be used for common terms. Otherwise, abbreviations should be given in brackets after the first full use of the word/s. Abbreviations may be used in the title, provided the full name/term is contained in the body of the abstract.

4. ABSTRACT ASSESSMENT

The Scientific Committee in its review, will consider a number of factors, including –

- Is the abstract relevant to the Conference Theme and Sub Theme?
- Does the title reflect the content of the abstract?
- Is the theme of the abstract clear/explicit?
- Is the abstract interesting in that it adds new knowledge or a fresh perspective?
- Does the abstract add to the current body of work in this area?
- Does the topic include national and international perspectives and is it of relevance to a broad range of Conference attendees?
- Is there an opportunity for audience engagement and participation?

The Scientific Committee requests that authors keep the audience in mind and ensure presentations are engaging and interactive.

5. NOTIFICATION OF ACCEPTANCE

Acceptance notifications will be sent to the submitting author via e-mail by **20 June 2019**.

Accepted abstracts will be published in the Conference Programme.