

Abstract Development Guide

- Use this document as a guide when writing your abstract in a word processing program.
- Total word count, including headings, must not exceed 385 words.
- Save the completed document to your files for easy retrieval when working on your poster or podium presentation.
- Copy and paste the body of your abstract into the abstract submission system in the appropriate section, ensuring the title and any identifiable information is removed.
- Do not include references.

Title

[Explain the project in a succinct manner. Enter in Title case only. No punctuation.]

(Note that Purpose and Background/Significance are reversed for Research abstracts.)

Background/Significance

- Summarize the problem and describe what is already known, using literature to support.
- Why is this important?

Purpose

- What problem are you trying to solve?
- What are your intended outcomes? Are they patient-centered?
- Are they quantifiable?

Interventions (*Methods* for Research abstracts)

- Describe the design of your project or research and the interventions you were studying.
- Include enough detail that the reader can decide if this could be achieved in their workplace or study.
- Interventions should align with the problem you are trying to solve.

Results (*Findings and Interpretations* for Research abstracts)

- What did you find?
- Do your results correlate with your intended outcomes? Include data.
- If study or project is ongoing, note your anticipated results and when they will be available. If it has not yet been implemented, note when it will be.
- May include a table or figure as a .jpeg or .png as an attachment

Discussion

- Summarize the work you have done and provide conclusions. What is the relevance? How does it improve patient care or the science of oncology.
- What do you want others to know? Did it work? Would you do something differently? What are next steps?