Peer-Reviewed Symposium The Submission Deadline for this form is Thursday, October 16, 2025, at 11:59 PM EST Guidelines

Description of the 38th Annual Scientific Sessions:

The Eastern Nursing Research Society is pleased to accept abstracts to be considered for presentation at the ENRS 38th Annual Scientific Sessions. This year's theme is *Strength in Nursing Science:*Advancing Health Across Dynamic and Diverse Settings.

The 38th Annual Scientific Sessions appeal to all individuals interested in advancing nursing science, including nurse researchers, leaders in evidence-based practice, and dedicated nursing science students and faculty. Join us in Boston to Celebrate the Collective Impact and Strength of the ENRS Community at the 38th Annual Scientific Sessions!

Conference Objectives:

- Describe novel approaches to promote and prioritize resilience for diverse stakeholders in academic, clinical, and community-based settings.
- Examine nurse-led, collaborative programs and innovative strategies using technologies to enhance healthcare access for populations in local, state, national, and global contexts.
- Explore emerging research and policy trends to expand, strengthen, and diversify the academic, clinical, and leadership preparation of nurses for optimized national health.

General Information:

ENRS Membership: The lead authors of all paper and poster presentations must be members of ENRS. Contributing authors/presenters are encouraged but not required to be ENRS members. Online and downloadable ENRS membership applications are available at http://www.enrs-go.org and must be submitted and accepted prior to the abstract submission deadline. All presenters are required to be paid registrants for the ENRS Conference.

Abstract Layout:

Presentation Type: Presentations can either be 'Paper,' 'Poster,' or 'Paper or Poster.' Therefore, select 'Paper' presentation for Symposium submissions.

Poster Types: Please note there will be a separate submission window for the individual school selected student posters in the following categories: BS, MS, DNP and, Early PhD. *Individual abstracts are welcome to submit their paper to the general peer-reviewed submission, but if accepted as a Symposium are only invited to present in one session, i.e., the symposium OR peer-reviewed paper session.*

Research Format: The content of each abstract must be organized under separate headings, according to one of the research formats listed below. However, the Integrative Summary accompanying a Symposium can be organized in a simple paragraph format.

All submissions will be considered for their potential contribution to the field (with the exception of the individual school selected BS, MS, Early PhD and DNP Posters). Since results may be incomplete for ongoing research in poster presentation form, authors are encouraged to describe the specific elements to be examined and their importance to nursing science. All abstracts must be received electronically no later than the deadline.

The **Quantitative** format should be used if you are unsure of the format.

Quantitative research format should include:

Background

- Purpose
- Theoretical Framework
- Methods (Design, Sample, Setting, Measures, Analysis)
- Results
- Conclusions & Implications

Qualitative research format should include:

- Theoretical Framework (if applicable)
- Background
- Purpose
- Methods (Design, Participants, Setting, Data Collection, Analytical Approach)
- Results
- Conclusions & Implications

Mixed Method research format should include:

- Theoretical Framework (if applicable)
- Background
- Purpose
- Methods (Design, Participants, Setting, Data Collection, Analytical Approach)
- Results
- Conclusions & Implications

Systematic/Integrative/Scoping Review research format should include:

- Theoretical Framework (if applicable)
- Background
- Purpose
- Methods (Literature Search Strategy and Inclusion Criteria, Literature Review and Analysis)
- Concept Analysis
- Results
- Conclusions & Implications

Translational research format should include:

- Theoretical Framework (if applicable)
- Background
- Purpose
- Methods (Design, Participants, Setting, Data Collection, Analytical Approach)
- Results
- Conclusions & Implications

Symposium Overview (Integrative Summary): The Integrative Summary must be the first symposium submission and should be formatted in one to two paragraphs. Each Symposium will consist of an Integrative Summary and three to five additional abstracts related to your common symposium theme.

- Symposium purpose
- Organizing framework for presentations
- Describe how each presentation related to symposium theme
- Summarize conclusions and implications for advancing nursing science and improving quality of care

The Integrative Summary should address integration of presentations within the symposium in relation to the selected theme. The Integrative Summary must be the first submission entered for any new Symposium submission.

Symposium Abstract Submission: After the Integrative Summary has been submitted by the Symposium Contact. The Symposium Contact will enter each individual abstract within the symposium. To include each abstract, you must select "Symposium (Abstract)". It's suggested that the Symposium Contact collect all abstract and bio-disclosure information from the lead author of each abstract prior to beginning the abstract submission process.

RIG Symposium Submissions: Abstracts submitted by a Research Interest Group (RIG) will be blind-reviewed within the normal abstract review process.

Abstract Length: Abstracts must not exceed 2,500 characters, including spaces, (approximately 300 words). If you are designating a Symposium paper presentation as the Integrative Summary, please limit your abstract to 1,600 characters, including spaces (approximately 200 words).

Keywords: Keywords will be used to further define the intended audience. Select your keyword(s) carefully as this is how your abstract will be grouped for presentation. Please select the major focus of your project as your primary keyword. If you are choosing a methods keyword as your primary focus, your abstract should be about developing/ refining a research method.

Choose all keywords that apply:

- Acute and Critical Illness
- Adult and Older Adult
- Bio-behavioral Research
- Bioethics and Legal Issues
- Child and Adolescent Health
- Childbearing and Women's Health
- Chronic Illness
- Evidence-Based Practice
- Family
- Health Promotion Behaviors and Disease Prevention
- International/Immigrant Health
- LGBQT Health
- Mental Health
- Methods- Qualitative, Quantitative, Mixed Methods and Community-Based Participatory Research
- Nursing Education
- Organizational and Workforce Issues
- Palliative and End for Life Care
- Policy
- Quality & Safety
- Self-Care
- Self-Management
- Social Determinants of Health
- Technology and Informatics
- Theory

Please note: You will receive a confirmation email that your submission has been recognized as complete and submitted for review.

Acceptance and Notification:

Review Decision: An acceptance letter will be sent by email to the Lead Author. For Symposia, the acceptance letter will be sent to the Symposium Contact. The Lead Author or Symposium Contact will be notified of the decision by the Review committee in mid-December of 2025 and confirmation must be received in early January of 2026. Please note that only the latest version of the submitted abstract, as of the submission deadline date, will be reviewed.

Lead Authors and Symposium Contacts: Lead Authors or Symposium Contacts may contact the office after December 17, 2025, if they have not received notification. To protect the integrity of the review process, ENRS cannot release status information to contributing authors or other third parties.

Registration: All presenters are required to be paid registrants for the day of the conference on which they present. We do, however, encourage presenters to register for the full ENRS Conference.

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DEADLINE – Submissions received after the submission deadline date WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED FOR REVIEW.

If you have any questions about the Call for Abstracts, please contact info@enrs-go.org

Reminder: No edits to abstracts will be granted after submissions are finalized. Please keep this in mind throughout the process.