



6th Australasian Nursing & Allied Health Stroke Conference
“*Smart Strokes 2010 - New Futures*”
5 – 6 AUGUST 2010
CROWNE PLAZA TERRIGAL, NSW, AUSTRALIA

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

CLOSING DATE: FRIDAY, 5 FEBRUARY 2010

INVITATION

The theme of the conference is “**Smart Strokes 2010 - New Futures**”. Abstracts addressing this theme are invited for oral and poster presentations for the 6th Australasian Nursing and Allied Health Stroke Conference, Smart Strokes 2010, to be held at the Crowne Plaza Terrigal from 5 – 6 August 2010.

The aims of the Smart Strokes 2010 Conference are:

- To provide a forum for stroke clinicians to share information
- To discuss innovations in stroke management and promote new initiatives on stroke care
- To provide the latest information on best practice
- To highlight stroke research being undertaken by Nursing and Allied Health Clinicians
- To raise community awareness of stroke

SUBMISSION OF ABSTRACTS

Please submit your abstract online **by close of business Friday, 5 February 2010**, www.conferenceaction.com.au – visit the current events page and click on the Smart Strokes link. **Please read the following instructions before you submit your abstract.**

Abstracts may only be submitted online and will not be accepted by facsimile or post. The Conference Secretariat will notify all abstract submitters of acceptance via email by the end of February 2010. Please note authors accepted to give either an oral or poster presentation **must** register for the conference and pay the applicable registration fee.

ABSTRACT INSTRUCTIONS

- Abstracts must be typed in English and use a 12 point Ariel font with single line spacing.
- Abstracts must not exceed 250 words, excluding title, authors and institution.
- Abstracts must include a succinct overview of the intent and purpose of the presentation.
- Preference will be given to abstracts outlining results of research or quality-related projects.
- Required abstract format:
 - Background**
 - Aims (or Hypotheses)**
 - Methods**
 - Results**
 - Conclusion (or Discussion)**
- Abstracts which include tables and figures will not be accepted.
- References should be used sparingly.
- All abbreviations should be given in brackets after the first full use of the word.
- Abstracts presenting case histories will be accepted.
- Abstracts must list the presenting author as the first author

ABSTRACTS NOT SUBMITTED IN THE CORRECT FORMAT WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.



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REGISTERING YOUR ABSTRACT

1. To submit your abstract, please click on the following link: <https://secure.conferenceaction.com.au/ei/getdemo.ei?id=536&s=2AK0YSNYP>
You will be asked to enter your contact details, abstract title, presentation type, author etc. You can submit multiple abstracts.
2. At the end of the Abstract Submission process you will be asked to upload your Microsoft Word Abstract document.
3. Amending your abstract – changes should be made to your word document and then re-uploaded using the Speaker Zone area. **To amend your abstract, please click on the following link:** <https://secure.conferenceaction.com.au/ei/rs.esp?id=536&scriptid=SZONE1>
4. An acknowledgement email will be sent within 7 days of receipt of your abstract.

SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The Smart Strokes Organising Committee has made available a Scholarship Fund to support attendance at the conference. The Scholarship Fund is open to applications from across Australasia. For an application form and information please contact the Conference Secretariat.

PRIZES

Winners of the following awards will be announced at Smart Strokes 2010 Conference. When submitting your abstract, please indicate clearly if your abstract is a contender for the "New Investigator" award.

Best Abstract Award

This prize will be awarded for the best abstract which makes a significant contribution to stroke research and/or practice.

New Investigator Award

This prize will be awarded for the best abstract whose first author (nominated presenter) has never before submitted or presented an abstract to a State or National conference.

CONFERENCE SECRETARIAT

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