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**Save the Date | Friday, September 19 | Harrisburg  
PSNA Summit 2025**

# **NURSES EMPOWERING NURSES: THE POWER OF CONNECTIONS**

**Call For Abstracts – Due April 15  
Rapid Rounds Presentations and Poster Sessions**

Join PSNA for our 2025 Summit in Harrisburg on Friday, September 19. Watch for additional details, including venue and registration information.

**The theme is Nurses Empowering Nurses: The Power of Connections.** The program highlights the transformative power of peer support. It includes a keynote presentation on Writing for Publication by Dr. Cheryl Mee, Rapid Rounds Presentations, and Poster Sessions. In addition, we will have opportunities for networking and interacting with program sponsors and vendor exhibits. The day concludes with PSNA’s annual business meeting.

You are invited to be part of this summit by submitting an abstract for a Rapid Rounds Presentation or Poster Session. Authors are encouraged to submit abstracts that support the Summit theme.

## **Rapid Rounds Presentations**

Rapid Rounds presentations are our version of TED Talks, with a theme, offering presenters the opportunity to deliver a 15-minute presentation. Presentations will be grouped into 3 presenters with similar topics that address a sub-theme listed on the “PSNA Conference Abstract Submission” form linked at the end of this document. At the close of the presentations, the 3 presenters will answer questions as a panel for an additional 15 minutes. We expect this approach to create an engaging and interactive experience.



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## Poster Presentations

Poster presentations are a way to highlight your innovative practice strategies or evidence-based practice in nursing. These interactive sessions allow attendees to explore a variety of topics while providing opportunities for one-on-one conversations with presenters and fostering meaningful networking and collaboration.

## Abstract Guidelines

**Special consideration will be given to abstracts that support the PSNA Summit theme.** With a focus on key topics such as leadership, nurse advocacy, and amplifying the nurse's voice, the event will also address critical issues including healthcare inequity, burnout, workplace safety, and resilience. Attendees will explore strategies to combat burnout, access valuable resources, and harness the potential of AI in nursing practice.

## Abstract Requirements

**(300 words or less, excluding title, presenter information, and references)**

- Recommendations related to replication and adaptability of the project findings to other organizations and healthcare settings.
- Citation of supporting references in APA format that are no more than 7 years old. Include links to references.

All submissions are subject to blinded peer review.

## Submission Guidelines

Prepare a brief abstract of 150-300 words for a Rapid Rounds Presentation or Poster Session that shares (describes) an innovative example, experience, or idea that inspires nursing colleagues to empower each other in the clinical practice or teaching environments. **Abstracts are due no later than April 15, 2025.** To complete your abstract submission:



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1. Review the conference overview and objectives (above).
2. Prepare your abstract in a Word document and confirm that all information is included before starting the online submission process. Abstracts should include:
  - Primary author name and credentials
  - Co-author name and credentials (all co-authors must be named at the time of submission)
  - Choice of Rapid Rounds presentation, Poster presentation, or consideration for either
  - Abstract title
  - Two learning outcomes
  - 150-300 word abstract in narrative form
    - Identification of the problem, issue, or project
    - Description of the method(s) used
    - Description of the evaluation/findings
    - Description of the conclusions
  - References (at least two) in APA format no more than 7 years old
  - Acknowledgement of the financial relationship disclosure (for all presenters)
3. Copy and paste the text of your abstract into the box(es) provided in the online form. The abstract narrative will accept no more than 300 words.
4. Incomplete forms, alternatively formatted submissions, and emailed submissions will not be considered for review.
5. Please note that abstract submissions must be completed in one sitting as there is no ability to save and return to your work. Be sure to have all required information prepared before starting the submission process.
6. All submissions are subject to blinded peer review.

As you prepare your abstract, [please review this article by Dr Karen Innocent](#) at this link.

Innocent, K. (2024, February). *How to get started with presenting at conferences*. Nursing 2024. [https://www.qgdigitalpublishing.com/publication/?i=813681&article\\_id=4713391&view=articleBrowser](https://www.qgdigitalpublishing.com/publication/?i=813681&article_id=4713391&view=articleBrowser)



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## Notification

The primary presenter will receive email notification of the review committee's decision on or after **May 15, 2025**.

## Presenter Commitment and Registration

Your commitment to present and the completed full conference registration form for the primary presenter must be received on or before **June 1, 2025**. Failure to register by this deadline will constitute declining to present. Presenters must register to attend the conference.

## Guidelines for Rapid Rounds Presentations and Poster Presentations

Rapid Rounds presentations and poster presentation guidelines will be provided upon notification of abstract acceptance.

## Abstract Submission

Complete the [PSNA Conference Abstract Submission](#) at this link.

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*The PSNA Summit 2025 will highlight the transformative power of peer support in helping nurses navigate challenges, improve mental health, and foster professional growth. With a focus on key topics such as leadership, nurse advocacy, and amplifying the nurse's voice, the conference will also address critical issues including healthcare inequity, burnout, workplace safety, and resilience. Attendees will explore strategies to combat burnout, access valuable resources, and harness the potential of AI in nursing practice. By emphasizing the importance of nurses' well-being and collaborative support, this conference aims to empower nurses to thrive, drive change, and contribute to a more equitable healthcare system.*