Abstract Submission Guidelines and Template

# Background

The Metro North Health and Metro South Health **Allied Health Research Symposium** will take place on **Tuesday 17 February 2026** at the **Royal Brisbane and Women’s Hospital Education Centre**, from 8:00am to 4:00pm. The 2026 Allied Health Research Symposium theme is ***THRIVE – Transforming Healthcare through Research, InnoVation, and Excellence****.* The Symposium aims to showcase high-quality allied health research, innovation, and service improvement initiatives.

# Call for Abstracts

Abstract submissions for high quality research, innovation, and translation initiatives with clear outcomes and implications for practice are sought from Allied Health and associated staff (Health Practitioners, Clinical Assistants, and Administration Officers) across Queensland Health and university partners.

Options for presentations include:

1. Oral presentation (strictly 8-minutes maximum, not including questions)
2. Poster

Please indicate your preference in the Abstract Submission Form for consideration by the Scientific Committee.

# Awards

Symposium awards will be presented based on evaluations conducted by members of the Scientific Committee. Submissions will be assessed according to the following criteria:

* Quality of the abstract and presentation
* Impact of the research or service improvement initiative
* Relevance to the theme of the Research Symposium

Awards will be presented at the conclusion of the Symposium in the following categories:

(1) Best oral presentation

(2) Best poster

# Abstract Submission Process

Please complete each section of the online Abstract Submission Form (available via: [2026 Allied Health Research Symposium Abstract Submission Form](https://forms.office.com/r/779gPHDmZb)) and submit by midnight **Sunday 30 November 2025.**

If you have any questions regarding the Allied Health Research Symposium or abstract submission, please contact the Collaborative for Allied Health Research, Learning, and Innovation (CAHRLI) Workforce Development Officer (CAHRLI@health.qld.gov.au), or the Centre for Functioning and Health Research (CFAHR) Workforce Development Officer (CFAHR-WDO@health.qld.gov.au).

For your reference, please find below the abstract submission form template (note: this template, or a similar word document containing the required headings, must be uploaded as part of the online abstract submission form).

Allied Health Research Symposium Abstract Submission Form Template

Section 1: Personal Details of Presenter

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| --- | --- |
| Presenter Name/s |  |
| Position Title |  |
| Work unit details (include department and facility)  |  |
| Organisation (e.g. HHS) |  |
| Email |  |
| Work Phone |  |

## Section 2: Presentation Details

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| Presentation title |  |
| Preferred presentation type | * Oral presentation (8 minutes maximum, not including questions)
* Poster
* Either of the above
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| List all authors/project collaborators and affiliations (names, positions, and organisations) |  |
| **BODY OF ABSTRACT** (**300 words maximum** - please note, abstracts over this word limit will not be accepted. Please do not include any figures, tables, or references in abstract. Please ensure that all abbreviations are written in full the first time they are used.) |
| **Background** (introduction to the project/initiative; reason for the research) |  |
| **Aims** (list project aims) |  |
| **Methods**(note participants; project design; evaluation or outcome measures; procedures) |  |
| **Results**(summarise the main results from the project; major outcomes) |  |
| **Practice Recommendations**(conclusions; changes to practice; future directions) |  |

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