



Call for Abstracts

We invite you to share your experiences, research, stories, and expertise with the healthcare quality community.

The NAHQ Conference Planning Team is looking for breakout session and poster abstracts. **Deadline for submission is December 4, 2017, 12 pm CST** with submitters being notified of acceptance by Spring 2018. Submit abstracts [here](#).

Breakout sessions are oral presentations that occur in a session room. Most are 60 minutes long, but the Team may slot your session into a shorter or longer time. Breakout session presenters will be provided with a 50% discount on the conference registration rate.

Posters will be displayed in the exhibit hall. Poster presenters must be stationed at their poster at select times during the conference. Poster presenters must register for the conference and are responsible for related registration fees.

Selection criteria:

- Content:
 - Relevant and timely to the healthcare quality audience – up to date or breaking news on industry trending topics
 - Focuses on a problem you are trying to solve, the process including the quality tools and resources you utilized to arrive at a solution, results you obtained, and how you plan to improve and/or sustain your results. Participants should be able to apply their learning in their daily work.
 - Prefer applicability to all settings across the care continuum. Based on attendee feedback from 2017, we are looking for content submissions highlighting work in non-hospital settings, such as ambulatory care, physician practices, managed care or health plans.

- Appeal to the NAHQ audience, described below:
 - Primary Position: Over half are in management, with titles like Director of Quality, Director of Performance Improvement, Quality Manager and Coordinator. Executives in administration, VPs, or CQOs make up 10-15% of the audience. Others are consultants, project managers, analysts, and staff nurses.
 - Primary Work Setting: Over half work in acute care (stand alone or health system) but the audience extends across the continuum (e.g. long term care, payer government agencies, primary care, behavioral health, and community health).
 - Primary Responsibility: Most work in quality departments with a broad scope of responsibilities. Some specialize in areas such as regulatory and accreditation or data analytics. Others work in clinical, and ancillary departments such as case management, infection control, patient experience, patient safety, and population health.

Guidelines:

- For each submission, enter a title, description, target audience, application to the job, delivery methods, category tags, and session type.
- NAHQ wants to improve the learning experience for conference participants and make it fun for you as a presenter. As a presenter, think of yourself as a 'facilitator of learning' who is sharing your experience and helping participants derive applicable knowledge. Vision the conference attendees as active participants in your session. There should be interaction between you and the participants and between the participants as well. Participants should be equipped to apply what they have learned.
- In an effort to continuously improve the experience, the Conference Planning Team may have suggestions or recommendation upon acceptance.
- Accepted presenters will receive presentation tips, tools, and a guide to facilitating a more interactive lecture

Topics of interest:

The following subtopics are intended to be ideas and is not an exhaustive list.

Health Data Analytics

- How to manage data
- How to apply statistical methods
- How to transform data into information

Patient Safety

- How to foster a culture of safety
- How to adopt methods to identify and evaluate risks for harm
- How to mitigate and manage risk for harm

Performance and Process Improvement

- How to use improvement science methods and approaches
- How to use PPI project management
- How to use culture and process change management

Population Health & Care Transitions

- How to build the infrastructure for collaboration and innovation
- How to define and trend populations
- How to improve transitions of care through care coordination

Regulatory & Accreditation

- How to learn and apply regulations and standards
- How to manage regulatory, accreditation, and certification programs
- How to advance a continuous readiness culture

Quality Review & Accountability

- How to use professional practice and peer review principles and methods
- How to use/develop quality accountability processes
- How to manage healthcare payment and cost

Leadership

- How to lead within your organization
- How to do more with less; create improvements with limited resources
- How to advance the healthcare quality profession

If you have any questions, please contact Member Services at 1.800.966.9392 or info@nahq.org.

NAHQ Next 2018 Call for Abstract Fields

This page serves as a preview to the abstract submission form to help you prepare prior to submitting. All abstracts must be submitted online via:

<http://NAHQ.planion.com/Z?9E949BE40>

You may save abstracts as Work-In-Progress in the online system and return to them later.

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Presenter Information

- Email Address
- Prefix
- First Name
- Middle Initial
- Last Name
- Suffix
- Position or Job Title
- Credentials
- Institution or Organization
- Department
- Preferred Address
- City
- State, Province or County
- Zip/Postal Code
- Country
- Phone Number
- Credentials: Please list them as you would like them to appear in the program book and on the NAHQ website.
- Biography/CV: Please provide a brief description (no more than 150 words) about your background. Why are you uniquely qualified to present this information to the NAHQ audience?
- Prior presentation/speaking experience: Please list your most recent speaking engagements (must list at least one, up to five).

Topic	Organization	Event	Date

- Have you spoken at a NAHQ conference before?
 - Yes
 - No

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- Disclosure/COI

Abstract Description

- Type of presentation
 - Breakout Session
 - Poster
- This abstract can be considered for either a Breakout Session or Poster.
 - Yes
 - No
- Learning approach
 - Case study: Session that describes the application of a tool or concept to your experience. (e.g., Using Daily Safety Briefings in a Healthcare System)
 - Innovation & research: Session that introduces a new study or approach to quality work. (e.g., Integrating Social Determinant Data)
 - Core topic: Session that reviews an essential healthcare quality topic, tool, or concept. (e.g., Lean Management System)
- Title: 12 words maximum
- Target audience:
 - Primary Position: Choose up to three roles of your target audience.
 - Analyst
 - Clinical Educator
 - Chief Medical Officer
 - Chief Nursing Officer
 - Chief Quality Officer
 - Consultant
 - Coordinator
 - Director
 - Manager/Supervisor
 - Physician
 - President
 - Instructor
 - Project Manager/Leader
 - Staff Nurse
 - Vice President
 - Other (please specify)
 - Primary Responsibility: Choose up to three responsibilities of your target audience.
 - Accreditation/Regulation
 - Case Management
 - Clinician (Direct Patient Care)
 - Data Analytics
 - Infection Prevention/Control
 - Medical/Professional Staff Coordination
 - Patient Experience/Relations/Advocacy
 - Patient Safety/Risk Management
 - Population Health
 - Performance and Process Improvement
 - Quality Management

Fields for Breakout Sessions Only

- Description: There is a 150-word maximum. Begin the description with a variation of: "In this session you will ", "This session is intended to", or "This is session is for those"

Be sure to include information that covers these questions:

- What is the purpose of this session? What problem are you trying to solve?
- What will the participants take away?
- What quality tools or resources did you utilize?
- Why is this important to healthcare quality
- Career level tag
 - Core/Early
 - CPHQ/Mid
 - HQ Essentials/Advanced
- Delivery method:
 - Presentation style with emphasis on slides and lecture
 - Presentation style with intermittent activities/discussion
 - Facilitated discussion with some supporting slides
 - Interactive discussions

Fields for Posters Only

- Problem: What problem were you trying to solve?
- Measurement: How did you measure it? What tools did you utilize? (e.g., fishbone diagrams, control charts)
- Analysis & Methodology: How did you go about your analysis? Describe any type of statistical analysis you utilized to measure results.
- Implementation: What did you implement? What obstacles did you encounter along the way? How did you approach them? How can other healthcare quality professionals apply and or benefit from your research?
- Results/Discussion: What was the outcome? What quality processes and tools were critical to your success? How do you plan to improve and/or sustain your results?
- Describe how you might plan to visualize your data and results on your poster.

All Sessions Questions:

- Applications to the job: What will participants **take away** from this session and apply to their work? These should be action oriented statements. You are required to submit at least two and no more than five.
- Topic tag: Pick up to two that most closely apply.
 - Health Data Analytics
 - Patient Safety
 - Population Health and Care Transitions
 - Performance and Process Improvement
 - Regulatory and Accreditation
 - Quality Review and Accountability
 - Leadership
- References (at least one evidence-based reference required)

Basic A/V includes:

- Laptop
- Screen & projector
- Lavalier microphone

- Do you require any additional audio/visual materials?
 - None
 - Wi-fi
 - Hardline internet connection
 - If Hard line, why? NAHQ does not guarantee that we can provide this.
 - Other
 - If other, what? NAHQ does not guarantee that we can provide this.

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Co-Presenters

Please add information for each of the presenters in your abstract.