



BASHH Annual Conference 2024 Abstract Submission Guidelines

Introduction

The BASHH Annual Conference 2024 will take place from Monday 17th – Wednesday 19th June at Bournemouth International Centre.

We are calling for abstracts within the following categories:

- Contraception and reproductive health
- Emerging Infections, COVID and Monkeypox
- HIV testing, new diagnoses and management
- PEPSE and PrEP
- Prevention, Health promotion and outreach care
- Rare case presentations
- Sexually Transmitted Infections
- Sustainability

Awards are available for the best poster, oral, nurse/HA, undergraduate and most publishable submission. Abstracts presented and published elsewhere will not be accepted.

All abstracts submitted will be considered for either an oral presentation or a poster. Abstracts will be judged on specific criteria (listed below) and by an independent panel.

All successful submitters, will be required to register for BASHH 2024 Annual Conference and present your research.

A maximum of 225 abstracts will be submitted to the Journal of STI's to be published and apart of the conference abstract book.

Abstracts from undergraduates, health advisers and nurses are always welcome.

Thank you for your interest in submitting an abstract. The contribution of all abstract presenters is critical and we value your input greatly.

Marking Criteria

Abstracts will be marked out of a total 10, with consideration given to:

- Quality and clarity of abstract
- Contribution to practice and knowledge
- Overall quality and originality of work

Abstracts will be marked down if poorly written or constructed, few patient numbers, low impact, relevance or interest to other units. Case studies or abstracts with no intervention or results are usually marked lower.

BASHH endorses the People First Charter (PFC) and requests all people submitting abstracts to ensure they follow PFC terminology guidance (<https://peoplefirstcharter.org/>). If the language used in your abstract does not meet these criteria you will be asked to amend it or, if excessive discriminatory language used, your abstract may be rejected.



If you are an undergraduate, health adviser or nurse, please ensure you tick this box within the Additional Information section. As these abstracts will be marked separately but with the same criteria.

Timeline

Abstracts open – 29th January 2024

Abstracts close – 2nd April 2024

Abstract committee/review meeting – 22nd April 2024

Advise authors of abstract outcomes – w/c 22nd April 2024

225 of the highest scoring abstracts submitted to the STI journal – 3rd May 2024

Present research as oral presentations or posters at the conference – 17th-19th June 2024 – Bournemouth International Centre

Submitting an Abstract

- All abstract submissions can be completed via an online portal
- You be required to create a new account – once you have an account, you can sign back in to the online portal at any time
- You will need to complete your contact information in order to submit an abstract – click the submitters contact information tab and follow the instructions
- A submit your abstract tab will now appear, click here and follow the instructions to complete your submission – you can click save as draft at anytime and return to the form later

- **Abstract Title**
The title should be a maximum of 50 words
Only the first letter of the title or appropriate terms such as abbreviations or proper nouns should be upper case
Please do not include author details or information that identifies your unit or hospital in the abstract title

- **Abstract Category**
Select one of the following options:
 - Contraception and reproductive health
 - Emerging Infections, COVID and Monkeypox
 - HIV testing, new diagnoses and management
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- **Author Affiliations and Institution**
Please enter all authors, affiliations and institutions

- **Abstract Body/Upload**
You are allowed a maximum number of 304 words in the abstract body. Please use the following titles within your abstract submission (these titles are excluded from the word count).
 - Introduction (clearly state the purpose of the abstract)
 - Methods (describe your selection of observations or experimental subjects clearly)
 - Results (present your results in a logical sequence in text, tables and illustrations)



Discussion (emphasize new and important aspects of the study and conclusions that are drawn from them)

It is best to type your abstract straight into the online submission form, or alternatively paste the text from a word-processed document. Please use the special character keyboard for special characters. You can use the buttons to add formatting. Please do not include author details or information that identifies your unit or hospital in the body of the abstract.

There is an option to upload 2 supporting documents, they are

Figure, image or table

References

- **Additional Information**

You will be asked the following questions

Please declare any conflicts of interest (this is a text field)

Has this been presented elsewhere?* (select yes or no) *Abstracts presented and published elsewhere will not be accepted*

Please tick this box if you are an undergraduate, health adviser or nurse

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- Review your submission

- By submitting an abstract, you agree to the following terms and conditions:

The abstract is scientifically sound and ethically approved

The abstract is not an advertisement, nor contains anything obscene, defamatory, libellous, unlawful or in any way actionable

All authors have seen and approved the abstract as submitted

The work has not previously been accepted for publication

If your abstract is accepted, you must agree to register for BASHH 2024

Annual Conference and present your research as a poster or oral presentation

- Please check your submission carefully as you will not be allowed to edit any details after you have submitted it

Editing or Withdrawing a Submission

- Please check your submission carefully as you will not be allowed to edit any details after you have submitted it
- If you have not submitted your abstract yet, go to the view your abstract tab and click edit to carry out with your submission
- If you would like to withdraw your submission, please contact the BASHH Events Managers on bashh-events@moore-insight.com.

Questions

If you have any questions, please contact the BASHH Events Managers on bashh-events@moore-insight.com.