



IRISH ASSOCIATION FOR PALLIATIVE CARE NURSING FORUM

Inaugural Palliative Care Nursing Conference

'Stronger Together: Palliative Nursing Across Ireland'

Driving innovation, quality improvement & Shared Learning

Poster Showcase & Abstract Submission Guidelines



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The inaugural **All-Ireland Palliative Care Nursing Conference** provides an opportunity to bring together nurses from across the island of Ireland to celebrate excellence, share ideas and learn from one another. In keeping with the conference theme, '**Stronger Together: Palliative Nursing Across Ireland – Driving Innovation, Quality Improvement & Shared Learning**,' we invite submissions that showcase the breadth and impact of palliative care nursing across clinical practice, education, research and leadership.

We welcome submissions that demonstrate innovation, collaboration and evidence-informed practice, recognising the invaluable contribution of nurses in improving the care and experiences of people with palliative care needs and those important to them. Whether through research, quality improvement, service development, education, clinical audit, innovation in practice or case studies, we encourage delegates to share work that promotes discussion, inspires improvement and contributes to shared learning across all care settings.

Participants may submit their work as either a **Poster Showcase** or a **Lightning Round Oral Presentation** in the following submission categories:

Research
Quality Improvement
Innovation in Practice
Service Development
Education
Clinical Audit
Case Studies

Guidelines for Poster Showcase

The **Poster Showcase** is a **non-competitive exhibition** designed to celebrate nursing achievements, encourage the exchange of ideas and promote collaboration and shared learning among palliative care nurses across Ireland.

Accepted posters will be presented as **ePosters** and displayed digitally at the conference. Printed A4 copies will also be displayed on the day to facilitate discussion, networking and shared learning among attendees.

Submission Requirements

- Posters must be submitted electronically as a PDF.
- The work must have a clear nursing focus.
- Submissions may present in the identified submission categories above.
- The work should demonstrate how it contributes to improving practice, patient care or shared learning within palliative care nursing.



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Showcase Poster Content

Please structure your poster using the headings that best reflect your project or area of work. Depending on the type of submission, posters may include:

- Title
- Author(s) and Organisation
- Background/Context
- Aim(s) or Objectives
- Methods/Approach/Innovation
- Results, Findings or Outcomes
- Discussion/Learning Points
- Implications for Nursing Practice
- Conclusions
- References (where appropriate)

Tips for Showcase Poster:
• Use a clear title and logical layout
• Keep text concise and easy to read
• Use graphs, tables and images where appropriate to illustrate key findings
• Ensure all figures and tables are clearly labelled
• Use references where appropriate and ensure any images are used with permission

For guidance on creating an effective poster see [HERE](#)

Guidelines for Lightning Round Oral Presentation

As another opportunity to showcase and share nursing excellence, delegates are invited to submit abstracts for **Lightning Round Oral Presentations**. These short presentations provide a platform for nurses from across Ireland to orally present research, innovations in practice, quality improvement initiatives, service developments, educational projects, clinical audits, case studies and examples of best practice that are advancing palliative care nursing.

Abstract Submission Guidance

Abstracts should:

- Have a clear nursing focus and demonstrate relevance to palliative care nursing practice.



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- Describe work relating to research, innovation, quality improvement, education, service development, clinical audit, case studies or examples of best practice.
- Clearly outline the background, aims, methods or approach, key findings or outcomes, and the implications for nursing practice.
- Use headings that best reflect the nature of the work being presented. The suggested headings are intended as a guide and should be adapted accordingly. Regardless of the type of submission, abstracts should clearly communicate the purpose of the work, how it was undertaken, the key outcomes and the learning for palliative care nursing practice.
- Highlight the contribution of the work to improving the care and experiences of people with palliative care needs, those important to them, or the delivery of palliative care services.
- Be written clearly and concisely to facilitate peer review.
- Be a maximum of **300 words** and submitted on **one A4 page**.
- Accepted abstracts will be presented as **Lightning Round Oral Presentations**, providing presenters with an opportunity to showcase their work, share learning and engage with colleagues from across Ireland.

The Poster Showcase and Lightning Round Oral Presentation submission deadline is 5 pm October 20th, 2026.

The Poster Showcase or Lightning Round Oral Presentation can be submitted electronically: to comms@iapc.ie.

Confirmation of the selected Oral Presentations and Poster submissions will be sent out to those who have been selected.

Any queries please email: comms@iapc.ie

Submission & Consent

By submitting a poster, abstract or presentation to the Irish Association for Palliative Care (IAPC), you confirm that you have the necessary permissions to share the content and that it complies with all applicable organisational governance, confidentiality and data protection requirements. Any patient or third-party information must be fully anonymised, and no identifiable personal data should be included.

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Submission constitutes permission for the IAPC to display your work during the IAPC Nursing Forum Conference and, where appropriate, to reproduce, publish and promote the submitted material (in full or in part) across IAPC communications, including our website, social media channels, newsletters, reports and other promotional or educational materials. Appropriate acknowledgement will be given to the named author(s) wherever reasonably practicable.

By submitting, you also consent to the processing of your personal information for the purposes of administering your submission, communicating with you about the event, and promoting the work in accordance with the IAPC's legitimate interests and applicable data protection legislation, including the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR). If your submission includes co-authors, you confirm that they have been informed of and agree to these terms.



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