Duke Health Quality and Safety Conference
Conference Abstract Guidelines and Template

All interested Duke Health and Duke affiliated health care professionals, including GME trainees and Duke Health professions students, are invited to submit projects for a **virtual** poster session. Abstracts will be selected by a committee based on the following criteria:

Relevance to Patient Safety and Quality Needs: How relevant is the abstract to the current needs of the healthcare landscape? Would this abstract seem beneficial and appropriate given the current needs?

Clarity and Specificity: Does the abstract present a clear problem statement, goal(s), evidenced-based approach and the use of a performance improvement methodology and scientific thinking?

Demonstrable Results: Does this abstract include real, measurable results?

Spread Potential: Does this abstract provide practical value? How readily applicable/transferable are its lessons? Will attendees be able to go home and make real improvements based on the work of this abstract?

Innovate: Does this abstract provide an innovative approach to patient safety and quality needs?

Project-Based Abstract Submissions

Suggested sections of your submission:

- **Title:** Use sentence case please
- **Author/s & Department:** Include credentials of authors
- **Background:** Short description of problem, no more than 2 sentences
- **Purpose:** Intent or goal of study
- **Description:** How was it developed? What was the evidence-based solution? Include performance improvement methodology and a description of graphs and tables that will be included on the poster
- **Evaluation(s) and Outcome(s):** What were the outcomes? Was it a success and how was it measured? What lessons were learned?

Background, Purpose, Description, and Evaluation and Outcome/s should not exceed 300 words.

Research Study Abstract Submissions (i.e. require IRB approval)

Suggested sections of your submission:

- **Title:** Use sentence case please
- **Author/s:** Include credentials of authors
- **Submitting Author, Department, Hospital/clinic:** The submitting author will be the primary contact for communications regarding the status of the abstract
- **Background:** Short description of problem, no more than 2 sentences
- **Purpose:** Intent or goal of study
- **Methods:** Describe the design, study sample, instruments used, data collected and analyzed
- **Conclusions:** What do the findings mean?
- **Implications for Practice:** What are the impacts on practice of your findings?

Background, Purpose, Methods, Conclusions and Implications for Practice should not exceed 300 words.

All abstract submissions are due by Wednesday, December 17, 2021 at 5pm. *No late abstracts are accepted.*
Notification of acceptance will be sent will be sent by Friday, January 7, 2022.

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