



SASOCP 2025
Taking Shape

Call for abstracts for the

14th Annual Conference of the South African Society of Clinical Pharmacy

Potential topics

Clinical pharmacy practice encompasses many areas of patient care from pharmacotherapy, medicine supply, antibiotic stewardship and patient management. The topics covered in this conference aim to be inclusive to develop and promote clinical practitioners in pharmacy in South Africa.

- Current clinical practice (such as antibiotic stewardship, paediatrics, critical care etc.)
- Research (formal research projects or quality improvement projects)
- Educational practices in clinical pharmacy
- Case study

Presentation categories

Abstracts may be submitted for one of three categories: oral/podium presentation, poster presentation, or case study presentation. Details pertaining to the criteria of abstracts for each category are discussed later in this guideline.

Oral and podium presentations should be reflective of research projects or quality improvement projects implemented in practice (clinical practice or educational practices in clinical pharmacy). Case study presentations should detail the pharmaceutical care provided in the management of patients encountered in your clinical practice. Please suggest the category you would like to be included in when submitting your abstract.

Abstract guidelines

The following recommendations apply to all abstracts, regardless of the preferred category of presentation.

Authors are requested to submit abstracts in English (South Africa). Abstracts should be submitted as a Microsoft Word document (no PDF submissions will be considered).

Title: Abstract titles should not be longer than two lines and should be written in sentence case (NOT in capital letters)

Font: Abstract text should be written in Arial, font size 12

Word Count: Abstracts should not exceed 350 words (word count includes the title, authors, affiliations, title notes and footnotes)

Key words: Two to four key words should be included after the abstract text

Abstracts for poster/podium presentations

Abstracts for poster and podium presentations should be structured in the following format:

Background: A statement of the hypothesis or research question or experience to be described.

Methods: An explanation of the study design and experimental or observational methods used.

Results: A concise summary of the major findings of the experiment, the observation or study. Sufficient data must be provided to permit evaluation by the reviewers and the public reading the abstracts. Statements such as "additional information to be presented at the meeting" are not acceptable.

Conclusion: Summary of the overall findings and the relevance to clinical practice.

Abstracts for case study presentations

The full case must be submitted as an abstract and if accepted will be published together with all other abstracts for attendees to be able to come prepared to the case study presentations.

An unstructured abstract may be submitted for a case study presentation. The following information should be included in your abstract:

- Why the topic is being presented
- Background of patient case
- What the problem/issue/challenge was (contextualise this and convey meaning about the importance of resolving the problem. Why was it a priority?)
- What did you do to understand, determine a course of action, communicate, get agreement to and implement the course of action/response to the problem, and how effective was the outcome?
- Your role in the process
- What did you learn from this problem-solving action - about organisation, management, people, systems, managing change, etc.?

Abstract review and feedback process

All abstracts will be reviewed by an abstract committee. The accepted abstracts will be assigned to appropriate poster, oral, or case study sessions.

A notification of acceptance will be emailed to every corresponding author before . Authors who then wish to present their abstract at the conference must send back the signed acceptance document and pay the registration fee. No honorarium, travel, or accommodation expenses will be provided or covered for presenters.

Abstract submission

Deadline for submission of abstracts: 15 March 2025 (17:00)

To submit your abstract, please follow this link:

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