

Abstract Requirements

- All intended presentations require the submission of an abstract. All abstracts will be subject to peer review
- The abstract title should be no longer than 12 words
- The abstract should commence with the abstract title, presenter/s' name and organisation and the authors' names only.
- The abstract should be a **maximum of 200 words** in simple text paragraphs without tables or dot points
- If there is more than one presenter, all correspondence will be sent to the person whose name and email address is entered with the abstract
- All presenters must register at the time of confirming their acceptance of presentation offer and pay the conference registration fee

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Oral Presentations

- the duration of the sessions will be 90 minutes
- presenters will have a total of 15 minutes, (10 minutes to present & 5 minutes discussion)
- the session will have a nominated chair
- all presentation rooms will be equipped for electronic presentations

Poster Presentations

- designated periods will be allocated in the program when presenters will attend their posters
- guidelines for preparation of posters will be provided once presentation offers have been confirmed

Conference Updates

Conference updates will be published on the PHAA website <http://www.phaa.net.au>

Registration

From 22 March 2011, conference registration will be available electronically using the online facility on the *41st Annual Conference* page of the PHAA website: <http://www.phaa.net.au> Select the Conference Registration tab and follow the prompts.

About PHAA

PHAA provides a forum for the exchange of ideas, knowledge and information about public health issues nationally and internationally. PHAA's members represent over 40 public health disciplines. Membership is open to individuals and organisations who are supportive of the Association's objectives.

PHAA has branches in all States and Territories and has overseas members. Individual membership attracts reduced registration fees for attendance at PHAA Conferences, workshops and seminars. Benefits of Corporate membership allow up to five nominated persons to attend PHAA conferences, workshops and seminars at the PHAA membership rate.

Sponsorship

Sponsorship and exhibition packages are available for this event. Please contact: marketing@phaa.net.au

Accommodation

Visit the PHAA website for information about accommodation options

Venue

The Conference will be held at the Brisbane Convention and Exhibition Centre, Grey Street, South Bank, Brisbane, QLD 4101.



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PHAA 41st Annual Conference

Sustainable Population Health



26 -28 September 2011
Brisbane Convention
Centre, Brisbane

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

Abstract Submission Closes 21 March 2011



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Invitation

We are pleased to invite you to the 41st Annual Conference of the Public Health Association of Australia. The 2011 conference theme challenges us to ask the question, “*Is public health sustainable?*” The recent and ongoing debate in Australia about population and sustainability has not yet produced a coherent way forward. Australia has no well articulated population policy for the future. Many public health professionals argue that increasing the population causes unsustainable stresses on health services, nutrition and food security, water security, housing and the environment which supports us all. Others consider continued economic development underpins the public’s health.

The conference will examine these growing pressures under the themes:

- Sustainable populations
- Supportive environments for health
- Public health systems

Stream 1: Sustainable Populations

Expert opinion varies about the ideal size for the Australian population. While economists suggest a “big” Australia, public health advocates recommend a moderate expansion. Food and nutrition, water, employment, housing, the environment as well as human health and well-being will all be impacted by population size, and need to be balanced against economic productivity.

Stream 2: Supportive Environments for Health

The health of the population is inextricably linked to the health of the environment. Previous demands for economic development have led to a degradation of the natural world providing future threats to human health. Future challenges involve integrating the developmental needs of the community with the need for long term environmental sustainability while enhancing and creating community environments that support the holistic health of the population.

Stream 3: Public Health Systems

Changing population demographics are increasing the demands upon health systems with the result that they are often working beyond their capacity, with consequences for the quality of services provided. As a result, the capacity of

government to fund and manage health systems is declining. There is increasing recognition by government of a need to focus more on prevention. The current health system reform process promises much, but will the opportunity for real change and improvement for communities and consumers be lost amongst the competing priorities of the major stakeholders?

Abstracts and conference registrations are invited for the **PHAA 41st Annual Conference: Sustainable Population Health**, 26-28 September 2011

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Abstract submission

We welcome submission of abstracts relevant to the conference themes. Whilst people submitting abstracts need to be able to interpret their material to fit the audience and program, abstracts can be submitted under the full range of public health issues. Priority will be given to papers that offer critical or reflective comment rather than purely program descriptive oral papers.

Presentations on Indigenous health will be particularly welcome. Presenters of Indigenous research focusing on particular communities are to provide with their abstract an additional paragraph outlining whether the relevant community/ies have provided permission to publicise the research findings.

All abstracts are to be submitted electronically using the online facility on the 41st Annual Conference page on the PHAA website: <http://www.phaa.net.au>

Select the Abstract Submission tab and follow the prompts. **Checking that the abstract uploaded to the server is the correct version is the submitting author’s responsibility.**

Abstracts submitted for presentation will be published exactly as received and should be checked for accuracy prior to submission. Do not submit a version with ‘track changes’ active.

Abstracts are to be submitted under the following:

Sustainable Populations
Supportive Environments for Health
Public Health Systems
Social Determinants & Equity
Health Promotion
Alcohol, tobacco & other drugs
Maternal, Child & Reproductive Health
Obesity, Nutrition & Food Security
Public Health Policy & Practice
Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples’ Health
Environment & Climate Change
Communicable Disease
Oral Health
Injury Prevention & Mental Health
International, Migrant & Refugee Health
Epidemiology and Research
Other



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