



PROGRESS IN PRACTICE

UKCPA Residential Symposium

**DeVere Hotel,
Staverton Park,
Daventry, 19 - 21
November 2010**

Conference participants are invited to submit abstracts on topics related to clinical pharmacy practice.

Submissions will be considered under three categories:

- 1) Research**
- 2) Audit**
- 3) Innovation and practice development**

Please carefully read through the criteria opposite to decide which description fits your work best as this will affect the way it is judged. The adjudication committee reserve the right to reclassify submissions where appropriate.

Closing date for submissions: 5th July 2010

Full instructions for the presentation of oral communications and posters will be provided following acceptance by the adjudicating committee. Oral communications will be limited to a presentation time of 10 minutes (plus 5 minutes of discussion).

Posters will be displayed on landscape panels approximately 5ft wide and 3ft high.

The recommended poster presentation size is A0 landscape

Call for abstracts: Oral Communications and Posters

Submissions will be accepted only if:

- The abstract is formatted correctly, including correct reference format
- Objectives are stated, and are SMART (specific, measurable, achievable, realistic and timely)
- The method is clearly described and outlines the study's design and setting
- Results are adequately reported
- Data are appropriately analysed including appropriate statistics
- Conclusions are justifiable from the findings
- Findings, including limitations and future plans, are discussed critically

Submissions for the Research section will be accepted only if:

- The research question is relevant to practice and clearly defined
- The study addresses an original research question
- They demonstrate robust research methodology
- The results and analysis of the findings are thorough, appropriate and justify the conclusions
- A statement is included specifying whether or not ethics committee approval was obtained

Submissions for the Audit section will be accepted only if:

- Clear audit standards are stated

Submissions for the Innovation and Practice Development section will be accepted only if:

- Evaluation of the innovation or practice development are included

Submissions will be considered for General Level funding only if:

- The lead author conducted the work while practicing at General Level (for example, as a band 6 hospital pharmacist, and/or in their first three years post-registration, and/or while doing a postgraduate diploma)
- The lead author will attend the symposium to present their abstract if they are successful

To view the judging criteria that your submission will be marked against, an example of an abstract and guidelines plus the Clinical Pharmacist referencing guide please visit the Awards and Abstracts page on the UKCPA website (www.ukcpa.org).

All submissions should be accompanied by a completed submission form, downloadable from the UKCPA website.

The Adjudication Committee reserves the right to recommend work for either a poster or an oral communication; such decisions are based on the conference programme and do not imply any difference in the standard of the work submitted. Preferred presentation format cannot be guaranteed.