

What qualifies as a Quality Improvement (QI) or Evidence-Based Practice (EBP) project?

- Most workplace quality improvement (QI) projects use a model to guide the work. Common models include Model for Improvement, Lean, and Six Sigma. Johns Hopkins Center for Nursing Inquiry summarizes the definition of QI and steps to these models [here](#).

What is an abstract?

- An abstract is a written summary of a quality improvement project that you have participated in that includes the following components:
 - The practice problem that you addressed and evidence to support that the problem exists
 - Why the problem needed to be addressed - the significance of the problem
 - Objectives (or goals) of the quality improvement project
 - The way that any improvement is planned to be measured
 - Interventions that were done to address the problem
 - Findings after interventions occurred
 - Discussion of your results
 - Suggestions for additional improvement or next steps.

How are abstracts chosen to be presented as a virtual poster?

- After the abstract submission period closes, abstracts will be reviewed by the ONA course directors in a blinded review. You will be notified if your abstract has been accepted for the poster gallery by December 1, 2023.

What does a virtual poster look like?

- Your electronic poster will be displayed in a virtual poster gallery “room” as part of the platform of the 2024 ONA Summit and will be available for participants to view throughout the entire conference. Anyone who views your poster and listens to your audio summary will receive continuing education credit. You will be asked to submit a PowerPoint slide that depicts the components of your abstract and a short audio description of your project. More details about how to prepare your poster will be provided in your letter of acceptance.

Do I have to be present in the virtual gallery during the conference?

- You do not have to stay in the gallery “room” during the conference. You will be asked to provide a contact email address on the poster in case learners have follow up questions for you.

When must I submit my abstract and how do I submit it?

- Submit abstracts to Debbie.Gaito@haymarketmedical.com. Abstracts will be accepted from September 1 - October 31, 2023.

IMPORTANT: You must also submit a completed conflict of interest and poster release form at the time of abstract submission. [Download this Word form](#).