NACNS 2016 Annual Conference
The Future is Today: Entering a World of New Practice Challenges for the Clinical Nurse Specialist
March 3-5, 2016
Loews Philadelphia Hotel – Philadelphia, PA

Call for Abstracts – Deadline: August 3, 2015
The National Association of Clinical Nurse Specialists invites you to submit an abstract for consideration for presentation at the NACNS 2016 Annual Conference, March 3-5, 2016, at the Loews Philadelphia Hotel in Philadelphia, PA. NACNS will accept the submission of abstracts for peer-review through Monday, August 3, 2015 at 11:59 PM EST.

Student Posters – Deadline: October 26, 2015
The National Association of Clinical Nurse Specialists invites students to submit an abstract for consideration for poster presentation at the NACNS 2016 Annual Conference, March 3-5, 2016, at the Loews Philadelphia Hotel in Philadelphia, PA. NACNS will accept the submission of posters through Monday, October 26, 2015 at 11:59 PM EST.
Please review the abstract submission guidelines prior to submitting your abstract:
http://www.nacns.org/docs/Call4Abstracts2016-2.pdf
Click here to start the abstract submission process:
http://precis2.preciscentral.com/Link.aspx?ID=2150E6994CCBFF09

Click here to start the Student Poster submission process:

Call for Abstract Reviewers – Deadline: July 31, 2015
NACNS invites members interested in reviewing abstracts for the 2016 Annual Conference, between August 17 – September 11, 2015, to submit a Reviewer Interest Form:
https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/NACNS2016Reviewers

Innovative health care delivery, new practice challenges in an age of health care reform and increased visibility of CNS’s practice outcomes are the bywords for the 2016 conference. The conference will highlight innovative approaches to CNS practice within the three spheres of influence: the client sphere (individual, family, community), the staff sphere (nurses, nursing practice), and organization/system sphere (Statement on Clinical Nurse Specialist Practice and Education, 2004). Additionally, topics will be selected with an eye toward advanced practice
registered nurse skills, including pharmacology and advanced assessment and clinical management. Pharmacology credits will be offered for eligible sessions. Abstract submitters are encouraged to include pharmacologic content when applicable so that NACNS members who have prescriptive authority can benefit from attending your session.

Topics of interest include:

- **Assessment & Management of Pain** - Focus on comprehensive approaches to pain management including pharmacological and non-pharmacological approaches, adherence to federal prescribing guidelines;
- **Care Transitions** - Focus on practices or programs that support client populations in a variety of transitions (e.g. changes in level of locations of care, developmental transitions, management of health problems across systems of care);
- **Clinical Management Topic** - Focus on clinical and pharmacological management. An emphasis on content that assists in selection of optional pharmacologic choices should be noted.
- **Cutting-Edge Issues** - Member-requested presentations on cutting edge issues in: hematology, psychiatric care, diabetes, respiratory care, cardiovascular care, and autoimmune diseases, including pharmacological and non-pharmacological approaches;
- **Costing-Out Care** - Focus on actual cost savings that result from CNS practices or CNS-driven programs of care. Discussions on the processes used to calculate costs savings are encouraged and welcome;
- **Impact of State/National Policy on Health Care** - Focus on changes in health care delivery by the CNS that results from policy implementation.
- **Innovations in Education** - Focus on innovative educational practices or programs designed to improve the care provided by health care professionals. These innovations can be directed to clinical education, continuing education and/or innovative delivery in schools and universities.
- **Innovations in Practice** – Focus on innovative clinical interventions planned and/or implemented by the CNS or interprofessional teams led by the CNS to provide high quality, cost-effective care. Methods to assess patient outcomes and costs savings should be mentioned.
- **Interprofessional Educational/Practice Initiatives** - Focus on educational/clinical practices or programs that facilitate interprofessional and/or team-based approaches to health care;
- **Pharmacology for the CNS** - Member-identified topics include pain medications, antimicrobial medications, cardiac medications, diabetes medications, anticoagulation medications, pulmonary medications, and neurological medications. A session may focus on a category of medications, an update on new medications and/or the utilization of a profile of medications with a patient population or a disease state.

**2016 Annual Conference Registration and Hotel**
Registration will open in November 2015. NACNS has secured a discounted group rate of $199 per night at the Loews Philadelphia Hotel in Philadelphia, PA. Hotel reservations information will be available in Summer 2015.
If you have any questions related to abstract submissions or the NACNS 2016 Annual Conference, please contact NACNS Meeting Manager, Astrid Schrier, CMP at aschrier@ferney.com or 215-564-3484 x2222.

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