

UK Society for Behavioural Medicine 17th Annual Scientific Meeting (2022)

Late Breaking Oral and Poster Presentation Submissions

If you would like to make a submission to be considered for an oral or poster presentation please visit our online submission portal via this **link**.

Abstract Submission Guidance

Abstracts should use the headings below and must not exceed 300 words (including headings).

Background: This section can include aims, research questions or hypotheses as appropriate.

Methods: Please state clearly any methods used, including analysis methods.

<u>Results</u>: All abstracts must include results. Appropriate statistical values must be reported for quantitative studies, including p values, confidence intervals and/or effect sizes for key findings.

<u>Conclusions and implications</u>: The Conclusion section must provide the main transferrable/generalisable message resulting from the research reported, i.e. the sentence(s) that someone citing the study might use to describe the findings. Please also state clearly the implications of the findings for policy, practice or further research. Do not use abbreviations in the conclusion. See here for a guide to writing conclusions in abstracts: (www.addictionjournal.org/pages/writing-the-abstract).

The deadline for late breaking abstract submissions is Monday 31st January 2022 at 10am. No abstracts submitted after this deadline will be considered.

Assessment process

We will operate a blind peer-review for all abstracts in which reviewers will judge abstracts on the quality of the content.

Abstracts will be assessed and evaluated by reviewers based on the following criteria:

- Scientific significance, Importance to the field, and/or Impact: The importance of the study in moving the science/field forward or having impact. Implications for the field in terms of practice/policy/theory/methodology are clearly stated. Value to existing literature/evidence base. Likelihood of generating extensive delegate interest.
- *Clarity of writing:* Quality of written description. Information on rationale and aims provided. Explicitly states relevance to behavioural medicine. Conclusions are reasonable and clear.
- Strength of methodology/design/reporting: Aims, methods, and sample are sufficiently described to judge
 merit/appropriateness. Results are credible in relation to aims and methods. Clear summary of the research
 findings is included.
- Creativity/originality/innovation: Represents a creative or innovative approach. Novel, and likely to provoke discussion. The submission has not been presented at a previous UKSBM conference.

No abstracts will be accepted or rejected solely on the design used – the judgements will be made based on the quality as per the criteria above.

We expect to notify individuals of the outcome of the abstract decision process by mid-February 2022

Allocation of oral and poster presentations

Given the overall high quality of abstracts submitted and the inherently limited spaces for oral presentations, we include an option for researchers to submit poster presentations. Please indicate when submitting which of these options you wish your abstract to be considered for. The highest scoring abstracts will be offered an oral presentation unless this option was not selected. Those not scoring sufficiently highly for an oral presentation will be offered a poster presentation.

Please note, all successful submitters are required to register for the conference and cover the cost of their attendance. UKSBM is unable to cover the cost of presenter attendance.

How will the Conference work as a virtual event?

All successful submitters will be required to send a pre-recorded video of their presentation which will be uploaded to your allocated slot to ensure the conference runs smoothly. Each presenter will then have the opportunity to take part in a brief Q&A session with delegates after their presentation.

All presenters will also be required to be available for 1 week post-conference to answer questions from colleagues about their research via the Conference App.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to get in via the event hotline on 01332 227770 or by emailing uksbm@kc-jones.co.uk.

Thank you for considering submission to the UKSBM ASM!