

CALL FOR RESEARCH ABSTRACTS

The Division of Research and International Health Committee encourage researchers to submit abstracts for peer-reviewed research presentations at the ACNM Annual Meeting, June 12-16, 2010, in Washington, DC.

Research abstract submission information:

Abstracts will be accepted for online submission until **February 15th, 2010, at midnight EST at the following website:** <http://precis.preciscentral.com/User/UserLogin.asp?EventID=5737c6ec>

Abstracts may be submitted for consideration by either the Division of Research (DOR) or International Health Committee (IHC) and for one or both of the two types of refereed research presentations that are available at the ACNM Annual Meeting:

FORUM PRESENTATIONS: A forum presentation is an oral presentation of completed original research on a topic specific to midwifery practice. Forum presentation slots are limited. Abstracts submitted for a forum presentation, but not accepted, may be offered a poster presentation opportunity *if the poster presentation option is also checked*. Each presentation will be 10 minutes in length and will be followed by a 5 minute question-and-answer period. Forum presenters will be offered an opportunity to revise their abstract for publication in the *Journal of Midwifery and Women's Health*.

POSTER PRESENTATIONS: Research in progress at the time of the abstract submission will only be considered for a poster presentation. Completed research may also be submitted for a poster presentation *if the poster presentation option is checked*. Posters are presented on 3 x 6-foot freestanding display boards. Presenters are expected to be available to discuss their posters with Annual Meeting participants during a designated time (to be announced) during the meeting. Because poster space is limited based on space available at the meeting, the highest scoring abstracts will be accepted for poster presentation slots.

Note: Student midwives are invited to submit abstracts for either or both forum or poster presentations of research. Student abstracts will receive the same blind peer review as all other research abstracts.

Questions can be directed to the following contact persons:

For DOR abstracts: Lisa Hanson, PhD, CNM, FACNM; 414-288-3841 or Lisa.Hanson@mu.edu

For IHC abstracts: Catherine A. Carr, CNM, DrPH, FACNM; ccarr@u.washington.edu

Following submission: Each abstract receives blinded peer review. Abstracts with the highest scores are selected. Presentation time frames are assigned by the DOR/IHC Committee Chairs. The primary author of the abstract will receive email notification of the decision of the peer review panel by March 15, 2010.

The Research Forum and Poster Presentations at the ACNM Annual Meeting are competitive refereed events. Three awards are given for research presented: 1) Best Forum Presentation of Research, 2) Best Poster Presentation of Research, and 3) Best Student Midwife Presentation of Research.