The American Association of Occupational Health Nurses is pleased to announce the 2021 National Conference, which will be held April 12- April 14 in Minneapolis, MN. The 2021 conference theme is “Providing Pathways for Worker Wellbeing.” We invite professionals from around the world to share what they are working on and highlight unique challenges in the Occupational and Environmental Health field.

A range of preconference (half-day, full-day, and two-day) workshops and concurrent podium (60 and 90 minute) presentation formats are being accepted. We welcome abstracts for presentations from occupational health nurses and any other professional in all occupational and environmental health and safety or nursing categories. Some topic suggestions listed below:

- Business Issues / Return on Investment
- Chronic Condition Management and Coaching
- Clinical Practice
- Disability Case Management
- Emergent Practice - Marijuana / Cultural Sensitivity, Inclusivity, Diversity & Equity / Contingent Workforce
- Emergency Preparedness- Violence / Active Shooter / Disaster Planning
- Emergency Preparedness- Emerging Diseases / Pandemics / Leadership
- Epidemiology
- Global Occupational Health
- Health Promotion/Wellness/Total Worker Health
- Interdisciplinary Health and Safety Programs and Topics
- Management and Leadership
- Medical Surveillance Programs
- Nursing Professional Development
- Research/Evidence-based Practice
- Safety & Environmental Health (including regulations, LEED certified workplaces, collaborative workplaces)
- Toxicology / Chemical Use

Abstracts must:
- demonstrate a concise statement of significance of the topic;
- be applicable for the anticipated audience of intermediate or advanced levels of practice;
- focus on leading-edge subjects of interest to those working in any occupational health setting, including manufacturing, hospital/healthcare, government/military, education, etc.;
- be appropriate for both the OHN and the APRN audience;
- offer sufficient detail to demonstrate the relevance of the topic for presentation; and
- pertain to occupational health nursing research, evidence/solution-based clinical practice, disability management, safety, health promotion, business/management and policy initiatives.

Guidelines for Submission: The online submission manager can be accessed by visiting aaohn.org/2021abstracts. To submit a session, all session submitters must first register as a Website Member. Once a profile has been created, follow the prompts to submit your online abstract submission. If you have
already submitted a proposal, you can review your submissions or submit additional ones through the close of the submission window.

Please note: all abstracts must be submitted online and completed per the online submission manager guidelines, including completion of all required forms. Abstract submissions must be completed in their entirety before clicking “SUBMIT.” You cannot save and reopen an incomplete submission form.

Deadline: The call for abstracts will close July 26, 2020 at 11:59 pm CST. Abstracts that do not adhere to the guidelines and/or are received after the deadline will not be reviewed.

Author abstracts are welcome and will undergo an open competitive peer-review process for selection. Authors are encouraged to align their abstract to the conference theme and topic proposed. Keep in mind that abstracts will score highest on topics that reflect leading-edge, evidence-based, forward-thinking and innovative, address mid- and advanced-levels of practice and are appealing to a large number of conference attendees. No abstract will be accepted that does not show clear and accurate interpretation of implications and recommendations for practice, education, research, and/or policy for one or more of the occupational health nursing subspecialties.

The American Association of Occupational Health Nurses, Inc.’s purpose is to provide evidence-based information with implications for occupational and environmental health nursing. Material presented at the national conference, available on the website, or provided in any printed materials must be evidence-based, of professional quality, and demonstrate an absence of proprietary or prejudicial/biased commentary. Anecdotal observations should be limited in their scope and not presented as proven fact. It is inappropriate to endorse or imply endorsement of any specific product or service. Presentations may be recorded.

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