

Society for Implementation Research Collaboration (SIRC)

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION DEADLINE: APRIL 30, 2022

SIRC Conference - September 8-10, 2022

Coronado Marriot, San Diego, Ca

From Implementation Foundations to New Frontiers

Conference Theme Overview

The goal of the 2022 Society for Implementation Research Collaboration Conference is to facilitate collaboration, inspiration, and shared learning about cutting-edge advancements in implementation research and real-world application of implementation practice. This conference marks the 10th Anniversary of SIRC and an important point in time to consider synergies in implementation science and practice to lead, support and transform opportunities to accelerate evidence into practice domestically and internationally. The SIRC 2022 theme, “From Implementation Foundations to New Frontiers,” is designed to ground us in the evidence base and realities of multisector systems, and to propel implementation research and practice to achieve more equitable, generalizable, and global impact.

Abstracts Welcomed

This year, we prioritize abstracts that represent the full continuum of implementation, from research to practice and policy, especially those that advance the field and highlight innovative approaches. Submissions will advance knowledge about methods, designs, pragmatic approaches to process and outcome measurement, and theories and frameworks that help us study our work. We will learn about essential components of doing our work including community-engaged partnerships, generalizable principles and strategies for capacity building, infrastructure development to scale evidence-based practices in real-world settings, and policy opportunities to sustain evidence-based practices over time.

Abstracts are not limited to behavioral health interventions or settings. Implementation research and practice is a dynamic field with many ongoing developments and expansive applications to different contexts, disease areas, public health issues, and human service sectors locally and globally.

Thus, SIRC 2022 welcomes presentations from all settings and contexts, such as theoretical advancements in implementation science alone, practitioner application of implementation science or novel approaches, successful researcher-practitioner partnerships, innovative funding or payer models, or successful consumer engagement. Partnerships can range across diverse stakeholders including researchers, providers, intermediaries, funders, policy makers, trainers and consultants, and care/service recipient.

Presentation Formats

We invite submissions for 20-minute oral presentations, 90-minute symposia, posters, and preconference workshops. Presentations not accepted for oral format automatically will be considered for poster format unless declined by author. Additional detail on presentation formats are as follows:

Oral presentations – Accepted 20-minute oral presentations will be organized by theme within a session of several oral presentations. Each session will include an invited moderator to facilitate questions and discussion. After acceptance, oral presentation presenters will be notified of other presentations (and presenters) and the moderator for their session.

Symposia – To submit a 90-minute symposium, a symposium chair and discussant must be identified, along with 3 to 4 oral presentations. The symposium presentations must have a common theme, upon which the discussant will summarize and comment. A symposium presentation may be 3-4 thematically connected but distinct projects or one or two projects that include multiple perspectives (e.g., a practitioner, intermediary and researcher talking about the project from their respective positions). The chair and/or discussant can also be a presenter on one of the presentations. One author will submit the entire symposia as a single submission (see “How to Submit” below for more details).

Posters – Poster presentations are intended to communicate your implementation project in a concise, visual representation including figures or other visual content and some text. Poster presentations facilitate one-on-one interactions and networking among SIRC attendees interested in similar topics. One presenter must be available at the poster to provide information and answer questions throughout the entire poster presentation.

Pre-Conference Workshop – Pre-conference workshops will be held on Thursday, September 8th for 3.5 hours including a break. We encourage workshop formats that are engaging, skills-based, and interactive to optimize learning and application of skills. Space for pre-conference workshops is limited. Prior workshops can be found here: <https://societyforimplementationresearchcollaboration.org/preconference-workshops/> Please email SIRC (sircimplementation@gmail.com) if you have questions about whether your workshop may be a good fit for the conference.

Pre-conference Implementation Development Workshops (IDWs) will also occur on Thursday, September 8th. These invited meetings are led by and for the SIRC Networks of Expertise (NoEs). To learn more about becoming a SIRC member and joining a NoE, go here <https://societyforimplementationresearchcollaboration.org/network-of-expertise/>.

All submissions must include:

1. Title (symposia require a main title and titles for each individual oral presentation)
2. Description or abstract:
 - a. Oral presentations and posters require abstracts with background, methods, results, and conclusion (see below for details; 300 words or less).
 - b. Symposia require an overview summary of the symposia (300 words or less) and abstracts for each individual oral presentation (300 words or less).
 - c. Preconference workshop submissions require a general description of the workshop session (300 words or less).
3. Learning objectives (one for oral presentations; three for symposia; three for preconference workshops)*
4. Three to five (3-5) key words that describe your abstract
5. All presenters' names and affiliations, as well as names and affiliations of collaborators you would like to credit

6. Project implementation phase (i.e., planned, in process, completed, planning for next phase)
7. Yes/no indication of whether the submission includes a student presenter, was/is conducted outside of the United States, reflects collaboration or partnership with non-research colleagues, is prevention science oriented, is research oriented, is policy oriented, and/or is practice oriented**
8. Resumes or curricula vitae (CVs) of presenters in pdf format. Note: CVs will not be part of the abstract review process, which is masked. We will submit CVs to APA to obtain CEUs for accepted presentations. CVs are only needed for presenters who will be in the 'front of the room', not all collaborators*
9. Acknowledgements (optional)
10. At least three (3) references in APA style

*These items are not requested for poster submissions.

** These factors are not a formal component of the review criteria, but accepted proposals will be reviewed critically to ensure equity and representation of each in the SIRC 2022 program.

Required sections for oral presentations and posters:

Background should succinctly outline the rationale for the proposed study/project, including the problem the project set out to address or the research question/s. This is typically accomplished by characterizing the state of the science for the particular area (what we know and do not know), and how this submission advances science (adds something new). Alternately, you could also discuss the context and rationale for the project or topic to be presented.

Methods – including the general design, strategy, or approach to the work - should be appropriate for the type of submission indicated. For more research-based submissions, the sample, research design, method (e.g., qualitative, quantitative) and analytic plan should be described. For more practice-based submissions, project methods such as the implementation context, project design, approach, strategies, and evaluation plan (if applicable) should be described. A broad range of methodologies are encouraged; preference will not be given to specific research designs, analysis, etc.

Results in the form of findings, lessons learned, or results of analyses should be clearly stated and relevant statistics, if statistics were calculated, should be reported (e.g., beta coefficients, p-values, correlation coefficients). One or more general principles or strategies that would be of use to other practitioners or researchers should be included.

Conclusion should address the significance, future work, and/or practice implications of the results.

Other Guidelines

- A presenter can submit a maximum of two (2) first-authored abstracts for review.
- To facilitate a masked review process, individuals and institutions should not be identified in the body of the abstract; e.g. use 'author's institution' instead of using the name of the company, university or hospital.
- Submissions should include how the work is grounded in evidence, a foundational model, theory, or method, or innovative in ways that are transferable to other contexts.
- Submissions should reflect work that is generalizable, relevant, or applicable to others. Therefore, implementation practice or locally-specific implementation research

collaborations should describe general principles, strategies, or conclusions and explicitly how they inform work in other contexts.

- Submission Deadline: April 30, 2022.

How to Submit a Proposal

Visit Ex Ordo <https://sirc2022.exordo.com> and create an account. Once logged in, click “Submit Your Abstract Now”. Authors will be prompted to review the new submission Guide for Authors. Please ensure your proposal follows all guidelines then click “Next” at the bottom of the page to start the submission process.

- Special instructions for submitting symposia: In Step 2 of the submission workflow, authors will use the “Abstract” text box to submit the symposia overview summary, followed by each oral presentation (individual titles and abstracts). In Step 3, all individual authors will be listed as authors/co-authors. The name and affiliation of the Discussant and/or Chair will be listed in Step 5. In Steps 4 and 6, respond if any oral presentations meet the criteria.

Abstract Review Criteria and Process

Abstracts will be scored on the following criteria: (1) Importance to the field, (2) Strength of approach, (3) Innovation, and (4) Organization and clarity. SIRC will conduct a masked peer review process (reviewers will not see author names, institutions, or CVs/Resumes). The designated corresponding author will receive an email from Ex Ordo with a decision notification on their abstract submission.

Abstract Publication

All accepted abstracts will be submitted for publication in [*Implementation Research and Practice*](#) along with SIRC 2022 Conference proceedings.

Please contact sircimplementation@gmail.com with any questions.