

**ARKANSAS NURSES ASSOCIATION
2016 CONVENTION CALL FOR ABSTRACTS
OCTOBER 27-28, 2016
ARLINGTON RESORT & SPA HOTEL
HOT SPRINGS, AR**

General Information:

The 2016 Arkansas Nurses Association (ARNA) Convention Planning Committee is pleased to announce a call for Presentation and Poster submissions for our 103RD Annual Convention, October 27-28, 2016, Arlington Resort Hotel & Spa, Hot Springs, AR

We invite you to submit presentations or posters that will illustrate this year's theme,

“Culture of Safety” It Starts with YOU

PURPOSE/INTENDED AUDIENCE:

The purpose of the convention is to foster professional development and deepen nurses' commitment to quality, safety, and safe staffing practices through participation in learning activities to maintain and enhance professional practice.

The program will help participants to:

- Strengthen clinical knowledge;
- Explore innovative approaches to quality improvement within various nursing roles;
- Apply nursing research findings to professional practice as a method for connecting quality, safety, and staffing to improve outcomes;
- Appraise the developing workplace and healthcare environments that will directly influence future nursing practice and patient safety.

The ARNA convention is primarily designed for professional nurses who work in any practice role or setting, including staff nurses, nurse managers/administrators, advanced practice nurses, community health nurses, educators, researchers, and entrepreneurs. Allied healthcare personnel will also benefit from the information presented.

PROVIDER ACCREDITATION:

Arkansas Nurses Association is accredited as a provider of continuing nursing education by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation.

ARNA will award contact hours for attendance at the convention. One contact hour is 60 minutes of an organized learning activity.

GUIDELINES FOR SUBMISSION OF PRESENTATIONS and POSTERS:

Each application must include an abstract of the proposed presentation or poster. Abstracts must not exceed 300 words in length. *Abstracts will not be accepted if they exceed this limit.*

- To find forms to submit, includes bio form; activity/presenter form; and abstract form; please refer to the ARNA website under the convention link. www.arna.org

ARNA will not accept Curricula Vitae or incomplete submissions.

Applications must be received by 11:59 pm on June 13, 2016. You may submit by mailing the required elements to the **ARNA office, 1123 University, Suite 1015, Little Rock, AR, 72204, ATTN: ARNA Presentation and Poster Committee** or by e-mail arna@arna.org. Applicants will be notified of the **Committee's decision by August 1, 2016.** Call the ARNA's office (501) 244-2363 for any further information.