**Joint Fall Conference of the Iowa Rural Health Association and**

**Midwest Rural Agricultural Safety and Health Conference**

November 13-14, 2019 Marshalltown, Iowa

**Abstract Submission Process**

The Midwest Rural Agricultural Safety and Health (MRASH) Conference and the Iowa Rural Health Association Fall Conference will combine forces this year in a joint conference in Marshalltown, Iowa on November 13-14, 2019. Please consider submitting an abstract on topics related to rural and agricultural health and safety research, surveillance, education, outreach, and intervention. Abstracts for all oral presentations, roundtables and posters will be accepted through **July 7, 2019.** Poster abstracts may be submitted beyond that date, pending available space.

**Abstracts focusing on emerging issues and evidence-based practice activities are highly encouraged.**

Abstracts must be submitted in English on the provided form. The abstract should be a short summary of a research, surveillance, education, outreach or intervention project. ***Submissions must be submitted in one of two ways:***

1. ***online via the conference webpage at*** [***MRASH 2019***](https://icash.public-health.uiowa.edu/programs/mrash-conference/2019-mrash/) ***or 2) emailed as a Word document to MRASH-abstracts@uiowa.edu.*** Please save the abstract file as [presenter’s last name]-abstract.doc or .docx .
2. Questions? Contact gayle-olson[@uiowa.edu](file:///C%3A%5CUsers%5CJ%26G%20Olson%20Farms%5CAppData%5CLocal%5CTemp%5Cgayle-olson%40uiowa.edu).

**Presentation Formats**

* Oral Presentation – not to exceed 20 minutes, plus 10 minutes for questions & answers.
* Round Table Presentation – 3 to 5 presenters around a theme or topic, 30 min presentation and 30 min interaction with attendees, total of 1 hour. Abstract must include a summary of the overall topic, the list of presenters and a short description of each of their presentations.
* Poster - to fit on a 36”x48” display board. Poster abstracts may be submitted after July 1, space permitting.

**Timeline**

Call for abstracts open May 1, 2019

Call for roundtable & presentation abstracts close July 7, 2019

Authors notified August 1, 2019

Call for poster abstracts close November 1, 2019
2019 Conference November 13-14, 2019

**Abstract Submission Guidelines**

* The person listed as submitting the abstract will receive an acknowledgement of receipt via email.
* Further communication will be with the submitting author only unless otherwise directed.
* Please indicate which format you wish your abstract to be considered and note any special instructions for each format. It will be the discretion of the selection committee to select the abstracts to be presented in each of the formats. In some cases, the presenter may be asked to switch to a different format, for example to switch from a presentation to a poster. It will be the presenter’s prerogative whether or not to make such a switch.
* Please limit the abstract summary to 200 words.
* Poster abstracts may be accepted after the July 1 deadline, pending availability of space.
* Please note that information given on the abstract submission will be used to create the conference program.
* Please notify Gayle Olson (gayle-olson@uiowa.edu) of any changes or corrections to be made.

**Learning Objective**

A Learning Objective must be included in the abstract and describes what the session participants will be able to know or do following the session and should be measurable. ***One learning objective is sufficient.*** Some Examples:

* Participants will be able to list 3 characteristics of effective safety communication.
* Participants will be able to give examples that define the phrase “secondary prevention”.
* Participants will be able to demonstrate correctly inserting ear plugs to protect hearing.

**Acceptance Notification and Requirements**

* Following abstract review, authors will be notified via email of their acceptance no later than August 1, 2019.
* The author must register and attend the conference to present.

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**Preference for presentation type**\*

❑ Oral presentation, 20 minutes presentation and 10 minutes question & answers

❑ Round Table Discussion, 30 min presentation with 3-5 presenters and 30 minutes discussion

❑ Poster, to fit on a 36”x48” display board

**Title of presentation or poster**

**Primary presenter's name, credentials, affiliation (Ex. John Doe, PhD, University of Hard Knocks)\***

**Primary presenter's street address**

**Street Address Line 2 (if needed)**

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| **City** | **State / Province / Region** |
| **ZIP / Postal Code** | **Country** |
| **Primary presenter's phone** | **Primary presenter's email** |

**Additional authors' name, credentials and affiliations:**

**Learning objective** (only one objective is necessary)

**Abstract** (200 words or less)

**Bio:**  Please provide a brief (2-3 sentences) bio for the presenter.  For round table discussions, provide a bio for each presenter in the round table.

**List audio/visual requirements for your presentation\*** (Check all that apply)

❑ LCD Projector/Laptop

❑ Flip chart or whiteboard & markers

❑ None

❑ Other \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Top of Form

**Any notes or special considerations:**

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