



Health Systems, Policy, and Informatics RIG

CALL FOR COMPETITIVE SYMPOSIUM ABSTRACTS

SYMPOSIUM TITLE: “Health Systems and the Transitioning Patient: Research, Policy, and Delivery”

DEADLINE TO SUBMIT ABSTRACTS via email: JULY 19, 2019 by 11:59pm EDT

The Health Systems, Policy, and Informatics RIG is pleased to sponsor a call for abstracts for a proposed Competitive Symposium titled, “*Health Systems and the Transitioning Patient: Research, Policy, and Delivery.*” Transitions have long been considered a time of increased patient risk. In spite of important research, technology advances, and policy changes, this remains true. Work continues at local, regional, and national levels to address multiple transition experiences: hospital to home, nursing home to acute care (and many other acute / subacute / community variations); pediatric to adult health care; and transition / coordination issues between multiple providers, among many others. In this symposium, we will discuss current efforts and recent findings to address quality concerns at transition. Potential topics may include, but are not limited to:

- Patient experiences during periods of transition
- Clinician-level interventions to address challenges posed by transitions
- Health system considerations and/or approaches regarding transitions within the system (unit to unit) and to external settings (hospital to home)
- Outcomes related to transitions
- Policy implications or effects related to transitions
- Coordinating care across transitions
- Developing relationships among settings to improve transitions in care
- Family engagement in patient transitions
- Methods for conducting research aimed at transitional periods

From **July 2, 2019 – July 19, 2019**, abstracts can be emailed to Dr. Clayton Shuman (clayshu@umich.edu) by the primary author. Abstracts are to be limited to 350 words and include the following: Purpose/Background, Framework, Methods, Results, and Conclusions.

Abstracts will be scored by each RIG’s Symposium Committee according to significance, innovation, and fit with the proposed theme. One (1) Competitive Symposium of the top 3-5 abstracts will be submitted to the Program Planning Committee for a blind peer review. The primary author will be notified of their inclusion status for the submitted symposium by **July 30, 2019** and, if included in the submitted symposium, of the final approval/acceptance status of the symposium by **September 6, 2019**.

PLEASE NOTE: Authors of abstracts which are not selected may submit to the General Call for Competitive Abstracts, which is open through October 21, 2019.