

Achieving Excellence: Advancing EBP Through Technology and Collaboration

34th National Evidence-Based Practice Conference

April 21-22, 2027 | Hyatt Regency, Coralville, Iowa

This conference empowers nurses at all levels to advance and facilitate evidence-based practice (EBP). It will equip participants with practical strategies, innovative methods, and collaborative approaches to enhance patient outcomes, strengthen work environments, and improve operational effectiveness. Attendees will gain actionable insights, explore emerging trends in healthcare technologies, including documentation and artificial intelligence, and connect with EBP experts and clinicians dedicated to advancing high-quality, patient-centered care.

ABSTRACT CATEGORIES.

Evidence-Based Practice: A systematic, clinician-led approach of shared decision-making that integrates best evidence, patient values and preferences, clinical expertise, and other high-quality evidence sources.

EBP projects in progress are considered for poster display; projects with data analysis completed by December 31, 2026, are considered for podium presentation. Consider submitting a synthesis report abstract (to share evidence synthesis and practice change findings) if implementation has not started or will not be completed by the conference.

Synthesis Report/Literature Review: A structured review of existing evidence surrounding a clinical topic, such as an EBP synthesis report, literature review, systematic review, meta-analysis, scoping review, or integrative review.

Synthesis reports/Literature reviews in progress are considered for poster display; completed reports/reviews by December 31, 2026, are considered for podium presentation.

Research: A systematic investigation designed to develop or contribute to generalizable knowledge.

Research studies in progress are considered for poster display; studies with data analysis completed by December 31, 2026, are considered for podium presentation.

Nurse Residency EBP: EBP projects completed by nurses currently enrolled in or recently graduated from a nurse residency program.

Up to two organization-selected Nurse Residency EBP project abstracts may be submitted by the Nurse Residency Coordinator. These projects are considered for poster display. Additional abstracts may be submitted under the general EBP category for competitive review.

Graduate Student EBP Project: Student-led EBP projects or completed capstones by master or doctoral nursing students who are currently enrolled or recently graduated.

Up to two organization-selected Graduate Student EBP Project abstracts may be submitted by the Faculty Coordinator. These projects are considered for poster display. Additional abstracts may be submitted under the general EBP category for competitive review.

Quality Improvement: Projects that use data and improvement methods to enhance the quality, safety, and effectiveness of healthcare processes and systems. EBP-related quality improvement (QI) work should be submitted under the EBP category.

QI projects (e.g., IHI Model of Improvement, Lean, Six Sigma) are considered for poster display.

DEADLINE: Sunday, October 25, 2026

SUBMIT ABSTRACT at <https://uihc.org/ebp-conference-call-abstracts>

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ABSTRACT SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Submit a blinded abstract using the appropriate template available on the [Call for Abstracts website](#). Remove all author and organization identifiers (blinded abstract).
- The abstract is limited to 500 words (title, headings, and references excluded).
- Include in-text citations, except for QI abstracts.
- Include a minimum of 3 references in a consistent format (e.g., APA), except QI abstracts.
- Nurse Residency EBP abstracts must be submitted by the Nurse Residency Coordinator. A maximum of two abstracts per organization may be submitted, each as a separate submission.
- Graduate Student EBP Project abstracts must be submitted by the Faculty Coordinator. A maximum of two abstracts per organization may be submitted, each as a separate submission.
- Follow the submission instructions on the [Call for Abstracts website](#). You will need:
 - Your blinded abstract
 - Reference list (if applicable)
 - The model/framework used to guide project work
 - Contact information for the primary presenter, optional co-presenter, and, if applicable, the Nurse Residency Coordinator or Faculty Coordinator.

ACCEPTED ABSTRACTS

- Podium Presentation (15-minute presentation + 5-minute Q & A): EBP, Research, and Synthesis Report/Literature Review abstracts with data analysis completed by December 31, 2026.
- Poster Display: Work in-progress EBP, Research, and Synthesis Report/Literature Review as well as all Nurse Residency EBP, Graduate Student EBP Project, and Quality Improvement abstracts.
- Reviewers may reassign abstracts to a different category than submitted, if appropriate; any changes will be included in the acceptance communication.
- Up to two presenters per accepted abstract are eligible for a registration discount if paid by the specified deadline. Presenters are responsible for costs and travel arrangements.
- Accepted abstracts and posters will be considered for various conference awards (e.g., People's Choice EBP, Nurse Residency EBP, Graduate Student EBP Project).

TIMELINE

- October 25, 2026: abstracts due for peer review
- Late November 2026: acceptance notifications emailed
- December 10, 2026: presenters accept or decline poster or podium presentation
- January 15, 2027: register, pay, and make hotel reservations
- March 10, 2027: poster or podium presentations due
- April 21-22, 2027: conference

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