



2-3 May 2019  
Hilton Newcastle Gateshead

CALL FOR  
ORAL PRESENTATIONS  
&  
POSTER ABSTRACTS

**SUBMISSION DEADLINE**  
**3 MARCH 2019**



The conference is aimed at a multi-professional audience and is targeted at those working in an acute medical setting, both managerial and clinical. It will provide an excellent platform for multi-profession discussion and debate as well as an opportunity to share, discuss, learn and hear about the different developments within Acute Medicine.

## Call for Abstracts

We are inviting authors to submit an abstract for an **oral or poster presentation**. Entries will be shortlisted and the best abstracts will be offered an oral presentation within a parallel session on Friday 3 May. In addition, around **80 authors** will be invited to display a poster at the conference. As at previous conferences, the poster exhibition will run throughout the meeting. Abstracts should be submitted online at:

[www.samonthetyne.org](http://www.samonthetyne.org)  
by 3 March 2019

## Poster categories

SERVICE ORGANISATION & DESIGN  
AUDIT & QUALITY IMPROVEMENT  
RESEARCH  
EDUCATION  
CASE REPORTS

## Who can submit a poster?

Any health professional can submit an abstract relevant to Acute Medicine. We welcome submissions from all members of the multi professional team. Please ensure that your submission is linked to one of the categories listed

## Word count and format

The body of the abstract should be no longer than **300 words**. A further 100 words is allowed for references and title. In addition, you may include up to 2 images or tables to illustrate the work further. **Please ensure that you have permission to use any images that you display in your abstract submission, otherwise you may be liable for copyright infringement and associated charges.** Images can be in any format and up to 10MB in size.

Any patient identifiable images must have the patient's written permission for display. Forms are on the website. Abstracts which exceed the maximum length will be judged based on the first 300 words.

Please use the standard 'IMRAD' format for your abstract, as follows:

### INTRODUCTION

Highlight why the project was undertaken and what the goals of the work included. This section should include a clear question or objective of the work undertaken.

### METHODS

What methods were used to achieve this?

### RESULTS

What was achieved? How were the achievements measured or tracked?

### DISCUSSION

What do the above results mean for the everyone else, their service and patients? Your conclusions should reflect your stated aims and results of the study, and also state any limitations.

## Clinical case reports

Case reports do not need to follow the format for scientific abstracts. A good case report will provide a succinct summary of the case and a brief review of the topic. As long as this guidance is followed, authors are free to choose the formatting of a case report.

- In the Education category, abstracts should demonstrate an understanding of the medical/healthcare professions education literature and try to avoid simply describing an educational intervention that participants liked, or felt improved their confidence.
- Finally, only a small number of case reports can be included in the poster display – therefore only cases of exceptional interest to an Acute Medicine audience will usually be accepted.

## Note

One author for each poster will be required to register to attend the meeting and pay the appropriate delegate fee.

## Tips for submitting your abstract

- Abstracts should be well written – i.e. correct sentence structure, grammar and spelling. Plain English should be used. If English is your second language, please consider getting your abstract reviewed by someone who is an experienced writer.
- Abstracts should demonstrate you did what you set out to do – for example, if the title is “Improving the effectiveness of feedback in...” but all you did was a feasibility study and showed that people liked it, then your title and aim simply does not match your methods and results
- Your abstract should address the “So what?” question. Remember that every hospital is different, and SAM conferences attract delegates from around the UK and the world. What does what you have to say relate to people working in other, very different, hospitals?
- Abstracts in the Service Organisation & Design category should demonstrate objective evidence of improvement.
- In the Audit and QI category, simple audits are not usually accepted – a completed audit cycle demonstrating an improvement or, even better, a quality improvement project demonstrating the use of improvement science (i.e. Method for Improvement, PDSA cycles and run/SPC charts) is preferred.
- Clinical research abstracts should include an indication that ethics committee approval was granted, where appropriate.

## If your abstract is selected

All abstracts will be scored online. Authors will be notified after **18 March** if their abstract has been accepted. You will be able to view your score and any feedback from the adjudicators by logging into the abstract system using your original login at:

[www.samonthetyne.org](http://www.samonthetyne.org)

Individuals and organisations who are shortlisted will be invited to either give an oral presentation as part of the oral presentation session or to display an A0 (portrait) or A1 (landscape or portrait) size poster at the event.

Submit your abstract online by  
**3 March**

Feedback available online from  
**18 March**

By submitting an abstract you are giving the Society for Acute Medicine permission to publish the content on its website and in other ways considered appropriate. Abstracts of oral presentations **may** be considered for publication in the Society’s Acute Medicine journal. The definitive decision will be made following the presentation and is dependent on the overall quality. All materials will be credited to the author(s).

In the past, we have sometimes been able to offer publication of abstracts of those posters awarded ‘highly commended’ certificates. We cannot guarantee that this will be possible, and the final decision on publication rests with the journal Editor.

The decision of the adjudicators is final and no correspondence will be entered into.

**Please do not submit an abstract if you are unable or unwilling to attend the meeting**

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## Abstract Submission Login/Amendment

Abstract submission is open until 2359 on 3 March 2019

View the Call for Abstracts here

If you require a Patient Consent Form for a Case Report submission, please click here to download the form

New user? [Create your account here](#)

Email address:

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## Abstract Submitter Details

Email \*

Password \*

First name \*

Last name \*

Organisation \*

Address line 1

Address line 2

Town/City \*

Postcode \*

Phone number \*

What is your current grade or job function \*

## Go to the Abstract Submission Page [www.samonthetyne.org](http://www.samonthetyne.org)

- If you have previously submitted an abstract to a SAM Conference, log in with your email address and password
- If this is your first submission, click 'Create Your Account Here'

## Input Your Submitter Details

- Enter the submitter details. If this is your first SAM submission, create a new password that you will use to access the system.
- If you have submitted previously check your details are up to date.

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## Submit your Abstract

### Submitter Details

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Category	Closing Date
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Service Organisation & Design <a href="#">Add</a>	03/03/2019
Research <a href="#">Add</a>	03/03/2019
Case Reports <a href="#">Add</a>	03/03/2019

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## Abstract Submission Details

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Category: Education

Abstract Title \*

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Use the submitter as the main author?

Main author

First name \* Eloise

Last name \* Street

Company \* Eventage

Job Title \* Event Manager

Email \* eloise.street@eventage.co.uk

Co-author 1

First name \*

Last name \*

Company/Organisation \*

## Select Your Category

- Select the category you are submitting your abstract to and click 'Add'

## Submission Details

- Insert your abstract title, type of presentation preferred: oral/poster and author details
- Please note co-authors are not mandatory fields. Leave these blank if not applicable

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## Abstract Submission Content

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**Saving Your Abstract:** your abstract will not be saved until you have entered some content below (minimum 20 characters) and clicked the 'Next' button above.

On the following page you will be able to preview your abstract and either click 'Back' to return to edit mode or 'Submit'.

Once you have submitted your abstract you will still be able to make amendments up until the closing date.

If you do not click 'Submit' but do reach the Preview Page, your abstract will be saved as incomplete. You will be able to log back in to complete your submission.

Please complete the sections below before submitting your Abstract. If you are submitting a Case Report and would prefer to submit the abstract as a whole, please scroll down to the Case Report box.

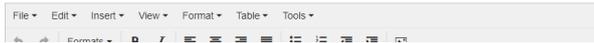
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You can now upload an image (JPEG/PNG's only) to the text boxes below rather than as a supporting file. Click on the "insert image" button located in each tool bar to add your image (maximum size 10MB). If your supporting file is in a different format, please use the Upload Supporting File button at the base of this page.

Please note that contents pasted in from other applications (e.g. Microsoft Word) may lose their formatting. The total length of the abstract cannot exceed 470 words.

### Aim

Briefly highlight why the project was undertaken and what the goals of the work included



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## Abstract Submission Preview

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Please review your abstract before submitting.

Preview of abstract after formatting

Title:	Abstract Title
Topic:	Education
Author:	Eloise Street
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### Aim

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## Enter Your Abstract Text

- Enter your abstract text. There is a maximum limit of **300 words** (A further 100 words is allowed for references)
- Enter the content in sections following the headings on each text box
- If you are entering a Case Report go to the text box headed 'Case Report'
- Please note that text pasted in from other applications (e.g. Word) may lose some formatting.
- Upload any supporting files using the "Insert Image" button in each text box section (JPEG/PNG files only) or add files of a different format to the "supporting files" option at the base of the page
- PLEASE NOTE you should not upload your abstract text here, this is for supporting files only.

## Preview Your Abstract

- This page will show a preview of your abstract. To make any changes click the 'Back' button
- At this stage your abstract is now saved in the system. Click 'Submit' to complete your submission. You can still log in to the system and make amendments up until 2359 on the **3 March**.
- If you do not click submit at this time your abstract will still be saved as incomplete and you can log back in to complete your submission.

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## Confirmation of Abstract Submission

You will receive a confirmation email when you have successfully submitted.

If you do not receive this email please contact:

[samconference@eventage.co.uk](mailto:samconference@eventage.co.uk)

## SCORING

Abstracts will be scored by two referees with an overall arbitrator assigned to each of the categories, using the following scoring system:

- **Scientific Rigour:** Is there a clear question/purpose to the abstract? Are the subjects clearly defined, e.g. patient types and are the methods & presentation thorough and systematic? Do the results and/or conclusion accurately reflect the evidence and draw appropriate conclusions?
- Is there a clear **Learning Point** for Delegates? Is the abstract content especially relevant and interesting and may bring new thoughts and ideas to Acute Medicine?
- Is the abstract **well written**?
- **Case Reports:** a good Case Report should contain a learning point that will either change or challenge clinical practice. Being rare is not a qualifying criterion in itself.