General Abstract Guidelines:

- **Abstracts are due on June 8, 2012**
- Including title, abstract should not exceed 400 words.
- Abstract submission should include all authors directly responsible for the project, with presenting author first.
- Abstract submission includes completing the resume and vested interest forms. This section must be completed and submitted with the abstract so we may apply for Nurse Contact Hours.
- Resources for help writing an abstract can be accessed on the Internal Nursing website, Professional development section, NRP subheading under “How To”.

**Evidence Based Practice**

**EBP Abstract components:**
- **Title**: conveys the project’s significance.
- **Purpose**: state goals of the project.
- **Synthesis**: briefly describe the current evidence.
- **Change**: describe why the change is being considered.
- **Implementation Strategies**: describe approach to the project and how the outcomes will be evaluated.
- **If the project is complete include**:  
  - Evaluation: state general findings.

**Clinical Innovation**

**CI** posters must demonstrate the impact of an idea on nursing processes, patient education, patient care, staff education or leadership strategies. Generally, they describe the effect of an idea on nursing practice.

**CI Abstract components:**
- **Title**: conveys the project’s significance.
- **Purpose**: state overall goals and outcome objectives of the project.
- **Background**: briefly describe how the project came about.
- **Method**: describe approach to the project and how the outcomes will be evaluated.
- **If the project is complete include**:  
  - Results: present general findings.
Research
Posters must describe a systematic, scientific process that validates and refines existing knowledge or generates new knowledge that influences nursing practice.

Research abstract components:
- **Title**: conveys the project's significance.
- **Purpose**: purpose of the study and hypothesis.
- **Background**: briefly describe the question to be addressed.
- **Methods**: number and eligibility of patients enrolled, description of intervention and the outcome variables and how they were measured. Describe statistical methods to be used to analyze the data.
- **If the project is complete include**:  
  - **Results**: state general findings.

You will be notified about the reviewers' decision to accept or decline your abstract no later than July 9, 2012 via e-mail.