

# 2025 VIRTUAL QUALITY SYMPOSIUM APRIL 22 & 29, 2025 Call for Abstracts



The Quality Management Committee (QMC) at the Commission on Dietetic Registration (CDR) invites you to submit an abstract for review, presentation, and publication at the CDR Virtual Quality Symposium

## ABOUT THE SYMPOSIUM

Quality improvement seeks to standardize processes and structure to reduce variation, achieve predictable results, and improve outcomes for patients, healthcare systems, and organizations. This symposium is designed to explore the basics of quality improvement and how credentialed practitioners can apply these techniques to support their work and achieve improved patient outcomes. In addition to general information, participants will gain insights into how utilizing quality improvement techniques can enhance the role of the credentialed practitioners in settings that include food service, acute care, and post-acute care. Attendees can also broaden their network by engaging with speakers and practitioners, while benefiting from a cost-effective and flexible way to increase their knowledge.

## ONLINE CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

- Opens January 6, 2025
- Closes Friday, February 21, 2025, at 5 PM Central Time
- Only submissions that follow all submission guidelines described below will be reviewed
- Paper and e-mail abstracts will not be accepted.

## DEFINITIONS

- **Abstract:** brief, written summary (no more than 250 words) of the specific ideas or concepts to be presented, and a statement of their relevance to practice or research.
- **Poster Presentations:** offer content using charts, graphs, illustrations, or photographs to allow for informal, small group discussions with the presenter about the issue, problem, project, or research addressed in the poster.

## ABSTRACT PRESENTATION CATEGORIES

- Research abstracts include brief descriptions of the author's original research methodology, major findings, and conclusions, implications, or applications for quality and process improvement in dietetics practice.
- Project or program report abstracts contain information about the need or purpose for a quality program or project; the theory or previous research on which it is based; the unique characteristics of the project or program; the characteristics of subjects or target audience involved; and the type of evaluation or proposed use for the tool or instrument development along with relevant outcome information (if available).

## Abstract Topic Categories

EHR and Technology | Evidence-Based Malnutrition Care | Improving Patient Satisfaction | Quality Basics and Project Implementation | Training and Education of the Interdisciplinary Team

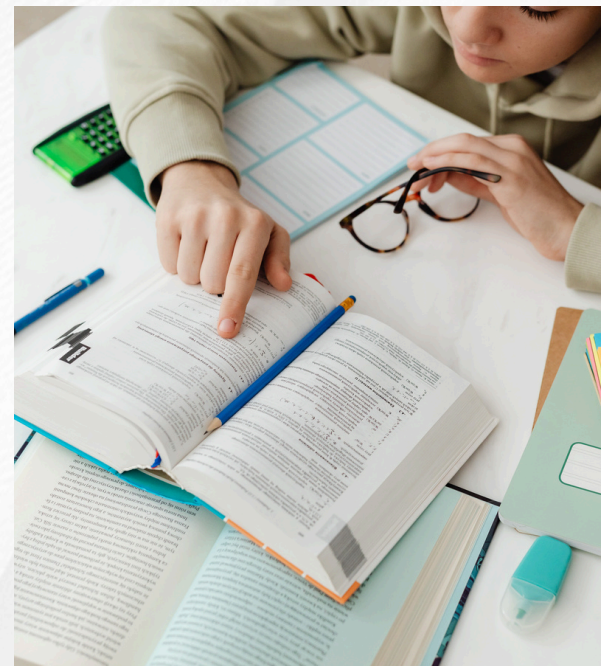
# Interested?

## RULES FOR SUBMISSION

1. Complete and submit all required fields in this online form including disclosures and the funding source.
2. Students submitting abstracts must provide the name, e-mail, and phone number of their faculty advisor.
3. Abstracts should not exceed 300 words.
4. Please include up to 3 references to support your abstract submission.
5. Proofread your abstract carefully. Do NOT rely on computer spell-check software only. Any abstracts that have significant typographical or grammatical errors will be disqualified.
6. If accepted, the original Abstract as submitted online may be published "as is" in the September 2025 Supplement to the Journal of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics. All abstract authors will be listed in the Journal supplement.
7. Submissions must be made by 5 PM Central time on Friday, February 21, 2025.

## CDR COMMERCIALISM POLICY

- CDR maintains full control over the planning, content, and implementation of all programs presented during the CDR Quality Symposium, including the selection of speakers, moderators, and faculty.
- The intent of the CDR Quality Symposium is to provide quality sessions focused on educational content free from commercial influence or bias.
- CDR prohibits presentations or posters that have as their purpose or effect promotion and/or advertising. This specifically includes pervasive or inappropriate use of brands, trademarks, or logos. Presentations or posters designed primarily to describe commercially marketed programs, publications, or products will not be accepted or tolerated.
- Program planners, session participants, and sponsors are prohibited from engaging in scripting or targeting commercial or promotional points for specific emphasis, or other actions designed to infuse the overall content of the program with commercial or promotional messages.
- Statements made should not be viewed as, or considered representative of, any formal position taken on any product, subject, or issue by CDR.



### Call for Abstracts Submissions:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DL69SZ8>

Due February 21, 2025 at  
5pm CT





# Review Process and Post-Acceptance Steps

## REVIEW PROCESS

- All “blind” abstracts will be peer-reviewed by a panel of three nutrition and dietetics practitioners with specific experience in submitted practice areas. Reviewers may not evaluate any abstract with which they have affiliation, prior knowledge, or personal commitment.
- Research Abstracts are reviewed based on the following:
  - Research outcome (focus, clarity, justification of the research question)
  - Methods (adequate description of design and appropriateness to the research question)
  - Analysis (analytic procedures appropriate to the data collected and the research question)
  - Results (scientifically sound, valid presentation, and interpretation of the results consistent with research question)
  - Conclusions (appropriate representation of the results consistent with research question)
  - Overall scientific quality merit of the research and contribution to the science.
- Program or Project Report Abstracts are reviewed based on the following:
  - Relevance (clear purpose stated, appropriateness, timeliness, audience intrigue)
  - Priority (recognized precedent; cutting-edge concern)
  - Originality (uniqueness/innovation of topic or format)
  - Synthesis (evaluation of report results, findings, or applications)
  - Methodology Clear research design with potential application for future research
  - Overall merit of the program/project research and contribution to the field of nutrition and dietetics
- CDR will summarize peer review results and make all final abstract selection decisions.

## ALL ACCEPTED POSTER PRESENTERS WILL:

- Identify one presenting author, if multiple authors are listed
- Create a PDF of their poster and engage with Symposium attendees in a scheduled virtual poster session. No printed posters are required.
- Provide affiliations and disclosure of conflicts of interest for all listed authors.
- Facilitate the presenting author to attend the CDR Virtual Quality Symposium (complementary admission will be provided for the presenting author only)
- Find an appropriate presenter replacement (co-author) if it becomes necessary for the presenter to withdraw from attending the CDR Quality Symposium and notify CDR of this change immediately.
- Provide a 5-minute recording of the poster presentation
- Provide a PDF the abstract poster for Symposium attendees



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