

Call for Abstracts

The theme for MED NORRTH 2026 is From Reef to Remote. Abstract topics may include, but are not limited to:

- Regional Healthcare Challenges and Solutions
- Translational Research
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health
- Rural and tropical medicine
- Regional and rural medical workforce sustainability
- Medical education and training
- Telehealth and innovative medicine
- Patient-centred care
- Clinical outcomes in regional settings

A wide range of research designs are welcome, including but not limited to primary studies, clinical audits, systematic/ scoping/ narrative literature reviews, case studies and qualitative research.

Studies that are in progress can also be submitted as abstracts, provided the current stage of the study and the projected stage by the conference date are indicated.

Abstract submission is open until 15th June 2025. Abstracts can be presented as oral or poster presentations, and will be assessed by academic and medical researchers. Awards will be presented to the best presenters at the conference networking event.

Please consider the following rules before submitting your abstract:

- Abstract must be structured and include Background, Aim, Methods, Results and Conclusion.
- Abstract title must not exceed 25 words.
- Structured abstracts must be limited to 250 words.
- Between three to six keywords can be included.
- Full names, affiliations and highest qualifications of all co-authors must be included in the abstract submission form.

If your abstract is a case study, please consider the following format:

Background, Aim, Case description, Patient history/ diagnosis/ management, Lessons learned

Abstract Guide and Examples

Structured abstracts (limited to 250 words) must include:

Background: Sets the context for the study, and may include:

- A brief overview of the problem or issue being addressed
- Relevant background information or previous research
- Why the study is important or needed

Aim: States the overall goal and/ or specific objective(s) of the study. This may include:

- The main research question or hypothesis
- What the study intends to achieve or explore

Methods: Describes how the study was conducted, and may include:

- Study design (e.g., qualitative, quantitative, mixed methods)
- Participants or data sources
- Procedures, tools, or techniques used for data collection and analysis
- Software used

Results: Summarizes the key findings, and include main statistical and/ or qualitative outcomes.

Conclusion: Interprets the findings and their implications and includes:

- What the results mean in the context of the research question
- Implications for practice, policy, or further research

Example Abstracts presented at the 17th national rural health conference 2024 Conference

Link 1: Survey Study

<https://www.xcdsystem.com/nrha/program/vgtu6zL/index.cfm?pgid=3270&sid=27330&abid=136427>

Link 2: Narrative Study

<https://www.xcdsystem.com/nrha/program/vgtu6zL/index.cfm?pgid=3270&sid=27361&abid=136949>

Link 2: Scoping Review

<https://www.xcdsystem.com/nrha/program/vgtu6zL/index.cfm?pgid=3270&sid=27764&abid=136428>

Link 4: Mixed-methods Study (Both quantitative and qualitative)

<https://www.xcdsystem.com/nrha/program/vgtu6zL/index.cfm?pgid=3270&sid=27298&abid=137044>

Link 3: In progress Study- Poster Presentation

<https://www.xcdsystem.com/nrha/program/vgtu6zL/index.cfm?pgid=3270&sid=27764&abid=138110>

Link 3: Poster Presentation

<https://www.xcdsystem.com/nrha/program/vgtu6zL/index.cfm?pgid=3270&sid=27764&abid=14163>
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Case study abstract

For guidance on structuring your case study abstract, please refer to the BMJ guide available at:

<https://casereports.bmj.com/pages/authors>