



2023 Annual Conference and AGM

Call for Abstracts

2023 Acupuncture New Zealand Conference

25th, 26th & 27th August 2023.

Theme – Connection and Community

Location – Rydges Hotel, 75 Featherston Street, Wellington

It is a pleasure to invite you to submit an abstract for presentation of a workshop or oral presentation at the 2023 Acupuncture New Zealand Conference.

Later this year we will transition to regulation under the Health Practitioners Competence Assurance Act and practitioners will begin to register with the Chinese Medicine Council of New Zealand. Acupuncture New Zealand will continue to provide the important roles of professional support and advocacy and provide an anchor for our professional community through and after this transition.

We invite you to join us over this weekend to connect with colleagues in person and share your skills and knowledge. We are planning a conference that has plenty of educational and practical sessions to inspire.

Abstracts are invited from all the branches of Chinese medicine - acupuncture, Chinese herbal medicine, Tuina, and Qi gong practitioners, allied and mainstream clinicians and academics under the conference theme ***Connection and Community***. Presentations may relate to all areas of clinical and professional practice, education or research.

If you know someone that you would think would make a superb presenter, please feel free to encourage them to apply or let the conference committee know (in writing) why this person should be approached.



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Guide for authors/presenters

The deadline to submit abstracts is **17th March 2023**

To submit your abstract, please email your completed abstract to nzra@acupuncture.org.nz
The word limit for the abstract is 300 words and it will appear in the programme book as submitted.

Presentation Formats

There are two presentation formats to choose from:

- Workshop presentations

Workshops encourage active involvement of participants. The workshop should be designed as an interactive session with specific objectives related to one or more of the conference themes. Workshops can run for 60, 90 or 180 minutes (3 hours).

Workshop abstracts should be structured as follows: Background, Objectives, Workshop format, and Expected outcomes. Maximum 300 words.

- Oral Presentations

Oral presentations have the duration of 30 or 60 minutes.

Presentations will consist of either: 20 minutes for your presentation, 5 minutes for questions and 5 minutes to allow for a change of speakers. Or

45 minutes for your presentation, 10 minutes for questions and 5 minutes to allow for a change of speakers.

After the 25 / 55 minutes, the "Time-Keeper" in the room will ask the presenter to conclude the talk.

Selection Criteria

All abstracts will be considered based on the information in the submission and will be assessed according to the following criteria:

- Relevance to the conference themes and objectives
- Originality of the work
- Quality of the abstract, including a clear connection between the issue being addressed, the work undertaken, the outcomes of the work and implications for the profession
- Priority will be given to submissions that present original work, link to evidence, and demonstrate innovation and critical thinking.

NOTE: Abstracts promoting commercial products or services will not be accepted. Those who wish to promote a product or service are invited to contact the conference organisers for the Sponsorship Prospectus. All submissions are to be emailed to nzra@acupuncture.org.nz

Remuneration:

30 minutes and 1 hour	access to conference and conference dinner
90 minutes / 1 ½ hour	access to conference, conference dinner and accommodation for 1night
3 hour / 180 minutes	access to conference, conference dinner and accommodation for 2 nights

Important Dates:

Deadline for submission: 17th March 2023

Notification of acceptance: 8th April 2023

Deadline for final paper submission: 28th July 2023

Deadline for power point presentation: 11th August 2023

Organising committee:

Conference committee – Amanda Teagle, Jess Marshall, Tracey Lindsay

For all general enquiries, please contact: nzra@acupuncture.org.nz

We look forward to seeing you at the 2023 Acupuncture New Zealand Conference in Wellington!

Yours sincerely,

Conference Committee 2023



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Abstract Submission Form – please complete (type written) in English

Presenter Information (Please complete in English)							
Title	Prof <input type="checkbox"/>	Dr <input type="checkbox"/>	Mr <input type="checkbox"/>	Mrs <input type="checkbox"/>	Ms <input type="checkbox"/>	Miss <input type="checkbox"/>	Mx <input type="checkbox"/>
Family Name				Given Name			
Organisation				Position			
Email				Phone			
Address							
Suburb/Town/City				Post Code			
Country				Name in Chinese (if applicable)			
Abstract Title (Please complete in English)							
Conference theme sub category	Education <input type="checkbox"/> Clinical practice <input type="checkbox"/> Research <input type="checkbox"/>						
Abstract Author/s (Please complete in English)							
Please submit a jpeg profile photo for inclusion in the program and conference promotion							
Workshop length: 60 <input type="checkbox"/> 90 <input type="checkbox"/> or 180 <input type="checkbox"/> Minutes				Oral Presentation length: 30 <input type="checkbox"/> 60 <input type="checkbox"/> Minutes			
Abstract Text (Please complete in English. Maximum 300 words)							
Presenter Biography (Please complete in English. Maximum 100 words)							

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"Conference Abstract + your name"