



Society for Social Medicine & Population Health

Abstract Submission Guidance 2025

We welcome abstracts on health services research, health policy, public health, economics, psychology, epidemiology, statistics, data science, policy translation, knowledge mobilisation qualitative research and/or mixed methods research.

The deadline for abstract submission is **23:59 (GMT), Monday 24th February 2025**.

The abstract should be a **maximum of 400 words** (excluding the title)

Your abstract will be assessed by four reviewers during the reviewing process which will take place after the abstract deadline.

Any abstracts accepted for an oral and/or poster presentation will be published in a supplement to the Journal of Epidemiology and Community Health.

1. Your abstract should be structured into four sub-headings, such as: Background, Methods, Results, and Conclusions. There is some flexibility and possible headings include: Background, Setting, Data, Methods, Results, Discussion, Conclusion.
2. Some results must be included in the abstract, including statistical tests where appropriate; abstracts stating that 'results will be presented' will not generally be considered. Results of ongoing analyses are acceptable. Results of systematic reviews are welcome. No references, tables or figures are permitted. The online submission form will help impose some of these format restrictions (e.g. word count and sub-headings). Following Prof Kenneth Rothman's Pemberton Lecture in 2019, abstracts which state statistical significance based on "p<0.05" will be marked down. Please provide exact p-values (p<0.001 is acceptable for small p values) or confidence intervals.
3. You will be asked to provide three key words that describe your abstract – this is to help the organisers place accepted oral presentations and posters into themes and groupings, so the order you enter these is important.
4. You will be asked to classify your abstract into one of three broad classifications: quantitative (T), qualitative (L), or mixed methods (M). This is to assist us in assigning reviewers.
5. After your abstract is submitted, it may be accessed and amended using your email address, the password you chose, and the reference number which will be emailed to you. Deadline for receipt/amendment of abstracts: **23:59 (GMT), Monday 24th February 2025**.

Please note that all correspondence about your submission will be by email so please make sure you have provided an address that is current and that you access regularly.

If you have any problems with the online submission, please contact Chloe Naylor Hg3 Conferences Ltd at: chloe.naylor@Hg3.co.uk