



87th Annual Public Health Conference
November 17-18, 2025
MPHA CALL FOR ABSTRACT PRESENTATION PROPOSALS

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES:

Students and professionals are invited to submit abstracts of their work for presentation at the annual meeting of the Mississippi Public Health Association (MPHA) using the following online submission portal:

[MPHA Conference Abstract Submission Portal](#)

All presentation abstracts must be received by **October 1, 2025, at 11:59 PM**. Abstracts will be peer-reviewed, and participants will be notified of their acceptance status by October 15, 2025.

PROFESSIONALS:

MPHA invites professional and academic researchers from all sectors of public health to submit abstracts of their current research.

To be eligible to present, professionals must become a **regular member of MPHA prior to the meeting**. Regular membership dues are \$30 per year. Professional presenters must register to attend the conference.

[Click here to become a member of MPHA.](#)

STUDENTS:

MPHA invites undergraduate, graduate, and medical students to submit abstracts of their current research. MPHA will accept abstracts for a broad range of topics but does not accept case reports. If selected, students will be given the opportunity to develop their abstract into a poster presentation for the student research competition which will be judged by a panel, and **1st, 2nd, and 3rd place prizes will be awarded**. Students who participate in the research competition will have their **conference registration fee waived and a gift card that they can apply to their lodging or their poster preparation expenses**.

To be eligible, students must attend a college or university located in Mississippi and/or be an intern with an institution located in the state. Student presenters must become a member of MPHA prior to the conference. Full-time students are eligible for student memberships at \$12, part-time students should become regular members at \$30.

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STEPS FOR SUBMISSION:

Step 1: Submit your abstract for review by the MPHA Submission Review Committee on or before





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Use the **FORMATTING GUIDELINES** provided within this document to structure your abstract submission.

Step 2: An email confirmation will be sent acknowledging receipt of the submission after the deadline.

Step 3: Authors of all submissions (students and professionals) will be notified of their proposal acceptance status by 10/15/25.

Step 4: If selected, professionals and students will develop their abstract into a poster to be presented at the conference. **Professionals will present their poster on Monday, November 17, 2025. Students will present their posters on Tuesday November 18, 2025.** The times for the poster sessions will be provided upon acceptance.

[Information Required to be Entered into the Portal](#)

Title: Include the title from your project.

Name of Author(s): Include the name of each author and their institution/organization.

Abstract that contains 250 words or less, excluding the title and section headings:

Background/Purpose: Provide a background or purpose (reason) for conducting the research, project, and/or study.

Methods: Ensure that methods and materials used to conduct the project are identified.

Results: Provide main findings of the project and/or study. This section may also include data analyses.

Implications for Public Health: Provide a summary of how the results may be used for future public health practice.

PLEASE NOTE: Abstract submissions must contain 250 words or less, excluding title/section headings. In the submission portal you will also be asked to list authors who contributed to the work and their organizational affiliations.

[POSTER PRESENTATION FORMATING GUIDELINES:](#)

Posters should be no more than 3 feet by 4 feet (you may use either landscape or portrait orientation). The poster headings should be the same as in the abstract. Be sure to use a font size that can be read from 4-6 feet away. Posters should be prepared to exhibit on pipe and drape rather than an easel.

[ADDITIONAL SUPPORT INFORMATION:](#)

Send questions to: Dfastring@wmcarey.edu

Additional Conference information can be found on the MPHA website at www.mspha.org/annual-conference/.