Call for Abstract Submission - Oral Presentation & Poster

The committee of 4th NECIC 2012 welcomes you to submit abstracts for oral &/or poster presentation - practitioners, service providers, allied health professionals, academics, families/parents. We pay special attention to papers related to “Early Childhood Intervention”, especially those meeting the conference’s theme: Family-centred practices - early childhood intervention and beyond. We look forward for you to share your ideas, experiences, achievements and research in this conference.

Guidelines for Abstract Submission (both oral presentation and poster):

- Preferred language: English (although abstract in Malay and Mandarin may be considered).
- The abstract should not be more than 400 words and must have the following components:
  - State the language use and mode of presentation - oral or poster
  - Title - should not be longer than 15 words
  - Author/s (underline the presenting author) and department name (if any)
  - Main content (see below)
  - Corresponding author and contact - address, e-mail, telephone numbers (mobile and work).
- Must be original works of the author/s. Plagiarism of other people’s works is strictly prohibited. Please use MS Word document format (.doc).
- The presenting author must pay the registration fee. An author may present one (1) paper only, however, anyone maybe listed as co-author on multiple papers.
- No honorarium, travel or accommodation expenses will be provided for presentations.
- E-mail the abstract to NECIC2012@gmail.com using subject name: “Submission of Abstract”.
- Corresponding author will be notified by email about the successful submission of the abstract within 3 days of it being received. Please contact us if you do not receive such notification.
- The Scientific Programme Committee of the Conference will decide upon the presentation type of each abstract, date and time of presentation.
- All accepted abstracts will be presented in the Conference Programme Book.

Mode of presentation:

1. Oral presentation - Limited to 15 minutes (with additional 5 min for Q & A).
2. Poster presentation - Poster sessions will be held at designated times to allow participants to view and interact with authors. Portrait style: should not exceed 3 feet (width) by 4 feet (height). Shall be readable from a distance of 1-2 meters (i.e. lettering for text and illustrations must be at least ¼ inch, with a minimum font size of 24).

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Categories of Free Papers:

(1) **Special programme / project / innovation**

To share new concepts and practice in early childhood intervention; and should focus on implementation details, contextual information for where the program was successful, and strong evidence for effectiveness. Suggested contents/headings are as follows:

- Introduction
- Objectives
- Process/implementation
- Evaluation
- Conclusion
- Lessons learned/recommendations

(2) **Research track**

To share research findings on early childhood intervention and areas related to special needs children. Suggested contents/headings are as follows:

- Introduction
- Materials and Methods/Methodology
- Results
- Discussions
- Conclusion

(3) **Sharing of Experience**

This track invites authors to submit reports of exceptional cases seen at home, or in the community and/or practice. Parents and/or care givers may wish to share their experience - good or bad. Suggested contents / headings are as follows:

- Introduction
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- Process/implementation
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*Please be informed that in submitting an abstract, you have agreed to register for the conference subject to your abstract being accepted. Presentation will not be scheduled until your payment for registration is received. Thank you.*

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