



Call for Abstracts

AAMHP 11TH BIENNIAL CONFERENCE

CELEBRATING 27 YEARS OF AAMHP

The **Association for the Manual Handling of People (AAMHP)** is delighted to announce its return to **Adelaide**, where the association first began in 2000.

AAMHP is a multidisciplinary association of healthcare, disability, education, community care, and workplace health and safety professionals committed to sharing knowledge and driving continuous improvement in systems, training, equipment, and assistive technologies that support the safe movement and handling of people. Through collaboration and innovation, we strive to achieve best-practice outcomes for clients, consumers, and the workforce.

The theme of the **2027 Conference, *Every 'body' Matters***, reflects our commitment to advancing safe and sustainable practices across all sectors. We invite abstracts aligned with the following key themes:

Managing Challenging Behaviours and Unmet Needs

Choice versus Risk

Design to Make a Difference

Sustainability and Productivity in the Workforce

Research and Innovation: What's New?

These themes encompass a broad range of topics, including but not limited to:

- Acute and aged care
- Community and disability services
- Bariatrics
- Injury prevention
- Legal considerations
- Mobility and rehabilitation
- Paediatrics
- Program development
- Sustainability initiatives
- Training, competency, and education
- Return on investment
- Data analytics
- Outcomes aligned with national AAMHP objective

The Association also welcomes submissions relating to health, wellbeing, and workplace safety programs across hospitals, schools, community services, emergency services, aviation, funeral services, and other industries that work with people and materials.

As workplace health and safety continue to evolve, this conference aims to broaden the conversation beyond traditional people-handling topics to embrace a more holistic approach to injury prevention and wellbeing. Given that many professionals now work across multidisciplinary musculoskeletal disorder (MSD) and workplace health and safety (WHS) roles, diverse perspectives are both relevant and essential.



ABSTRACT SUBMISSIONS NOW OPEN

The Conference Planning Committee invites submissions for:

- Oral Presentations
- Practical Workshops
- New Inventor and Innovation Presentations

All submissions will undergo a competitive review process. We encourage presenters to submit clear, compelling, and complete proposals.

Oral Presentations

Selected papers will be allocated a total of **20 minutes**, comprising:

- 15-minute presentation
- 5-minute question-and-answer session

Abstracts not selected for oral presentation may be considered for poster presentation or exhibition display space.

Practical Workshops

Workshop presenters are invited to indicate their preferred session length. Workshops ranging from **one to four hours** can be accommodated.

New Inventors and Innovations

The Conference Committee seeks submissions showcasing innovative equipment, assistive devices, and safety solutions introduced to the Australian market since the previous conference.

Successful applicants will receive:

- 5-minute presentation opportunity
- 5-minute member Q&A session

Submissions demonstrating the most significant innovations will be invited to present to conference delegates.

We look forward to receiving your submission and welcoming delegates back to Adelaide for the AAMHP 11th Biennial Conference as we celebrate 27 years of advancing safe practice and innovation in people handling, workplace safety, and wellbeing.



ABSTRACT SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

Important Dates

Abstract Submission Deadline: Friday, 30 April 2027 **Notification of Acceptance:** Friday, 28 May 2027

Conference Dates: 4-5 November 2027

Submission Format

1. Title: Provide a concise and informative title in **bold**.

2. Author Details: Include First Author, Credentials (Affiliation); Second Author, Credentials (Affiliation); etc. and underline the presenting author.

3. Abstract Content:

- Background / Introduction
- Goals, Objectives, or Rationale
- Methodology
- Results / Outcomes
- Impact / Conclusion
- References

4. Correspondence Details:

- Name
- Postal Address
- Email Address
- Phone Number

Review Submission Criteria and Conditions

- Abstracts must be between 200 and 250 words.
- Use Arial 11-point font and left justification.
- Text should be written in clear professional English.
- Abstracts must clearly identify all sections of the Abstract Content.
- Submissions should be carefully proofread for grammar, spelling, and accuracy before submission.
- Incomplete submissions will not be reviewed.
- All abstracts will undergo peer review and be evaluated on merit.
- Accepted abstracts will be published within conference materials.

How to Submit

Please email your completed abstract as a Microsoft Word attachment to:

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