



Call for Papers – Poznan 2018

On behalf of the 2018 Poznan HOPE Congress organisers, we would like to invite you to submit an abstract for a presentation at the Conference. The theme of the Conference is: **"Equal education in hospital schools. How to put a stop to exclusion of sick children and their families?"**

The presentations will focus on areas highlighting the problem of exclusion of children with medical condition and their families. They will offer an insight into challenges as well as successful methods of work of hospital school professionals.

This is an outstanding opportunity for you to contribute your knowledge, experience, research, and examples of best practices in education, health education and student wellbeing. You are invited to submit an abstract for an oral presentation only which may take form of a talk or a workshop. The maximum time allowed for a lecture is 45 minutes, and for a workshop 1.5 hours. Please specify the facilities required for your lecture/workshop in the template.

Please refer to the list below for relevant areas and suggested topics:

Education

- Influence of various form of education of children with medical needs (in hospital schools, tuition, home schooling, e-learning) on their social development and peer group interaction
- Education of students in regular schools aimed at developing sensitivity and empathy towards chronically sick pupils
- Educational activities and good practices supporting life transitions moments (e.g. going from child care to adult care, school to work transition, home to independent living etc.)

Family

- Examples of educational, psychological, social, community support methods aimed at helping families cope with the presence of a child with a medical condition
- Supporting siblings of a young person with a medical condition

Various activities in the education of children with a medical condition

- Individual and integrating play, all forms of art therapy, outdoor education, animal assisted activities, sport, workshops etc. in home and hospital education of children and adolescents with medical needs – examples of good practices
- Improving the quality of life, and social participations and interactions between children and adolescents with medical needs, their school environment, and society in general
- Innovations and new forms of education for children with medical needs

Please note that the closing date for Abstract Submission is 31 December 2017.

Successful abstract authors/s will be required to register by the presenter registration deadline of **28 February 2018**.

All accepted abstracts will be included within the Conference Abstract Programme which will be available on the 2018 HOPE Congress website.

All enquiries regarding abstracts for 2018 HOPE Congress can be emailed to Kasia Haczowska (kasiahaczowska@gmail.com) or Beata Lukomska (lukomska.beata@wp.pl)

Dates and Deadlines

Call for Abstracts opens 1 September 2017

Abstract submission deadline 31 December 2017

Notification of Abstracts to Authors 28 February **2018**

Abstract Submission Details

An abstract must be submitted using the **template**, by the presenting author and as a Word file.

Only abstracts submitted in English will be reviewed.

Abstracts must not exceed 250 words (excluding the title, authors and affiliations)

All abbreviations must be spelled out on first use.

Abstracts must be submitted by 31 December 2017 for consideration by the 2018 HOPE Congress Scientific Committee.

Authors will be notified of acceptance of abstracts after 28 February 2018

To be formally accepted, abstract authors must be registered to attend the Conference by 28 February 2018.

The proposal will be reviewed by the Scientific Committee:

- Michele Capurso of University of Perugia
- Meirav Hen of Tel-Hai University
- Jacek Pyżalski of University of Poznan
- Grzegorz Piekarski-Reichert of University of Slupsk
- Beata Łukomska - the Head of Hospital School in Poznan
- Kasia Haczowska - the Head of Edukadis Foundation