



Illinois ENA Evidence Based Practice Committee  
Illinois ENA 44th Annual Spring Symposium  
Hilton Lisle-Naperville, Lisle, Illinois  
**2018 Call for Abstracts**  
**Submission Deadline: November 10, 2017, by 5pm**

The Illinois ENA Evidence Based Practice (EBP) Committee sponsors a poster session at the Illinois ENA Spring Symposium annually. The Committee is seeking abstracts for the poster presentation that address clinical, education, injury prevention, leadership, quality improvement, and safety issues in emergency care. The poster and EBP sessions are excellent opportunities to present your work and discuss the problems of, and solutions to, many of the pressing issues in today's emergency health care environment with nurses, managers, leaders, researchers, and other participants; as well as dissemination of knowledge about emergency nursing and emergency care.

The primary author(s)/presenter(s) must be a current Illinois ENA member to be considered for acceptance. All abstracts accepted will be recognized in the Symposium brochure and the Illinois ENA website. Authors/presenters of abstracts accepted will be required to be present at the poster session at the Illinois ENA Spring Symposium. Four winners will be selected to present a 10-15-minute presentation for the EBP Breakout Session on **April 20, 2018**. Abstracts submitted by any EBP Committee members are not eligible for awards. Each abstract (not authors) accepted for the poster session will be given an award.

**Abstract Submission Guidelines:**

**The following criteria will be used by the reviewers to score abstracts using the scale of 1=Poor, 2=Fair, 3=Good, 4=Very Good, 5=Excellent**

- **Purpose/Significance of the Project:** Introduction, problem identification, significance, project objective. Begin with introduction/background (1-2 sentences) stating the scope of the problem you are addressing in your evidence-based project/study. State the study/project objective as it relates to issues in emergency nursing care/practice.
- **Design:** Describe whether your project is a staff development project, quality improvement, evidence based, etc.
- **Setting:** Describe the study or project setting and include hospital/ED description including: annual visits, urban v. rural, academic or trauma status if applicable, and any special recognitions i.e. Chest Pain Center, Stroke Center, etc.
- **Subjects:** Describe the characteristics of participants as well as procedure for selecting participants (inclusion and exclusion criteria). Identify measures to protect human subjects if appropriate to the study/project (Institutional Review Board approval).
- **Methods:** Describe the procedures, interventions, evaluation methods, instruments or tools utilized for the study/project. **Variables and measurements should be clearly described.**
- **Results/Outcomes:** Present the data that addresses the purpose of your study or project. Evaluate the outcomes of this study/project in relation to the need for this study/project.
- **Major findings/Conclusions:** State the conclusion based on the data presented and implications for nursing activities in emergency nursing practice.
- **Recommendations:** Provide recommendations as it relates to emergency nursing care, practice and policy based on the outcomes of the evidence-based practice study/project.

Prepare poster abstract headings in bold (see above). The headings must be in each section in the abstract and poster and must be no more than 500 words (including the headings).

Authors/presenters can submit multiple abstracts. For each abstract submitted, please provide author's name, email address, hospital name, and title of abstract as a cover page to Illinois ENA EBP Committee Chair, Ivelisse Sanchez, by email: [ebp@illinoisena.org](mailto:ebp@illinoisena.org). Deadline for submission is **November 10, 2017, by 5pm**.