Presenter Guidance – Poster Presentations

26th Texas Children's Global Health Network Meeting (NWM 2025)
Johannesburg, South Africa | November 3–7, 2025
https://www.texaschildrens.org/NWM2025

Poster Presentation Logistics

General Schedule & Structure

- You will be assigned to present at one of two (2) Poster Sessions:
  - Session 1: **Wednesday, November 5, 2025** (1 hour)
  - Session 2: **Thursday, November 6, 2025** (1 hour)
- Number of Posters: 35 per session (70 total)
- Format: Traditional poster session with a structured moderator-led walkabout and time for informal engagement.

Poster Set-Up Instructions

- **Posting Time**: **7:00–8:00 AM** on the **day of your assigned session** during breakfast. **Poster date and location assignments will be shared with presenters at a later date.**
- Location: **Poster Breakout Room**.
- Removal: End of the session.
- Bring Printed Posters: All posters must be **printed in advance in your country and transported** to Johannesburg. **No onsite printing is available.**

Poster Specifications

Billboard-Style (Better Scientific) Poster

Traditional Poster Template

- We will be utilizing **printed posters** this year—not electronic posters.
- Size: **1.22 × 0.91 meters** (**122 × 91 cm / 48 × 36 inches**)
- Orientation: **Landscape (Horizontal)**.
    - Maximum space available (poster board size): **1.8 × 1.35 meters** (**180 × 135 cm / 70.9 × 53.2 inches**).
- **Poster Templates**:
    - Billboard-Style (Better Scientific) Poster Template: https://www.texaschildrens.org/sites/tc/files/2025-07/NWM2025_Billboard_48x36.pptx
    - Traditional Poster Template: https://www.texaschildrens.org/sites/tc/files/2025-07/NWM2025_Traditional_48x36.pptx
- If you have already printed and presented your accepted poster at another conference, you may reuse it for this event.
- Attachment: Poster boards will allow either tape, poster putty (e.g., Blu Tack), or magnetic clips/magnets (the necessary attachments will be provided).

Poster Presentation Requirements
- Stand by your poster for the entire one-hour session.
- Expect both:
    - Moderator-led walkabout: Moderators (5–7 total, assigned by topic group) will lead groups to each poster. You will have up to **5-minutes** to present + 2 minutes for questions.
    - Casual engagement: Attendees may approach at any point during the session for discussion and to ask questions.

Poster Review & Practice
- **Poster Finalization** Deadline: **October 6, 2025** (submit for in-country review & allow time for printing in-country).
- **Poster Printing** Deadline: **October 20, 2025**
- Practice: Sites are encouraged to conduct in-country practice runs of their 5-minute and shorter poster presentation before travel.
- Poster Presentation Orientation Session:
    - Abstract presentation virtual workshop on **September 11, 2025** to review expectations and logistics.
    - Time: **7:30 AM** (Houston, Colombia), **2:30 PM** (Botswana, Lesotho, Eswatini, Malawi), **3:30 PM** (Uganda, Tanzania, Romania).

Tips for Success & General Best Practices: Poster & Oral Abstract Presentations

Tips for Success
- Focus on clarity and impact (e.g., 3–4 key messages only).

- Use visuals effectively including tables, charts, figures, and photos (limit text, highlight data).
- Practice timing to ensure you finish within 5 minutes for oral abstracts and 6 minutes for poster presentations.
- Prepare for likely questions (methodology, impact, next steps).

General Best Practices
- **Keep it simple & visual**: Prioritize graphics, charts, and key takeaways over dense text.
- **Engage your audience**: Start with the "why." (i.e., why your work matters.)
- **Respect the clock**: Sessions run tightly; moderators will cut off presentations that run over.
- **Professional presentation**: Dress appropriately and bring business cards/contact information for networking, if desired.

Key Dates & Reminders

- **September 11, 2025**: Orientation and Best Practices for Oral and Poster Presentations (Virtual).
    - Time: **7:30 AM** (Houston, Colombia), **2:30 PM** (Botswana, Lesotho, Eswatini, Malawi), **3:30 PM** (Uganda, Tanzania, Romania)
    - Link: Click Here
        - This session will be recorded.
- **October 6, 2025**: Final posters due for in-country review & printing.
- **October 20, 2025**: Printed posters should be finalized by this date and brought to Johannesburg.
- **November 5–6, 2025**: **Two (2) Poster Sessions** in Johannesburg.