



**COMPETENCE NETWORK
HEALTH WORKFORCE**



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On behalf of the Competence Network Health Workforce (CNHW) we invite health scientists, practitioners, researchers, managers and policymakers to attend the 1st international conference on workforce shortage in health care professions. It will take place in Bern, Switzerland, on the 25th and 26th of October, 2018.

The CNHW has organized this conference. It is formed by five Universities of Applied Sciences in Health in Switzerland (Bern University of Applied Sciences BFH, FHS St.Gallen University of Applied Sciences, HES-SO University of Applied Sciences and Arts Western Switzerland, University of Applied Sciences and Arts of Southern Switzerland SUPSI, Zurich University of Applied Sciences ZHAW) within the project «[Strategy to counter staff shortage among health professions](#)». The conference will take place every two years.

The staff shortage is one of the biggest challenges health care systems worldwide have to face. Without adequate human resources there is no patient safety and no health in healthcare! Therefore knowledge and networking to counter this shortage in the health care system is urgently needed.

This first conference will focus on clinically relevant, praxis-orientated and interprofessional scientific knowledge, regarding measures aimed at reducing workforce shortage among health professions. The conference theme, «Countering Staff Shortage Among Health Professions – Together for a Healthy Health Care System», aims to encourage clinicians, educators and researchers to participate as visitors and/or as presenters. It also aims to offer a first comprehensive overview of the work completed to date within this topic.

As a Competence Network Health Workforce, it is in our interest to provide the opportunity to network and to establish contacts. Beside the geographical diversity of presenters, along with the diverse conference program, provides a framework offering for multiple perspectives and opportunities.

We would be pleased if you could also submit your contribution to the topic. Your input would serve as an example in changing the triggers and outcomes regarding workforce shortage among the health professions of tomorrow.

We look forward to your contributions and the 1st International Conference in Bern.



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SUBMISSION CRITERIA

Abstracts can be submitted only in English (conference language)

1. Oral presentation: duration: 25 minutes and 5 minutes discussion
2. Workshop: 1 ½ hours (Please note that only a very limited number of workshops can be accepted.)
3. Poster presentation: lead, 3-5 minutes

STRUCTURE/CONTENT

Title

Type

Oral presentation, Workshop, Poster presentation

Identification

Name and first name of the Author(s), workplace, academic title or other job titles as well as other institution (Name of the person presenting shall be specified in the registration)

Contact address: Presenters' name and address of the institution as well as country, phone and e-mail address.

Length

Limited to max. 500 words. Longer abstracts are not accepted.

Reviewing and anonymization

The abstract is assessed anonymously by the Scientific Advisory Board. Therefore, it is important that the abstract does not mention names of persons or institutions that indicate the authorship.

Following, the structure per style is defined

Abstracts for scientific projects	Abstracts for praxis projects	Workshops
<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Title- Background- Research question- Method and material- Results- Discussion- Conclusion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Title- Background- Problem- Aims- Procedure- Results / Experiences- Discussion- Conclusion	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Title- Background- Introduction- Topic- Aims- Procedure- Arrangement of the workshop- Learning target of the workshop

Please submit your abstract according to the following link **until the 22nd of April, 2018.**

To submit an abstract, please first create an account. After registering for an account, you will be able to submit and manage your abstracts.

CONFERENCE FEES

	Fee	1 day (25th or 26th)	2 days (25th and 26th)	Conference Dinner
Participant	Early Bird*	CHF 220.–	CHF 430.–	CHF 80.–
	Regular	CHF 260.–	CHF 480.–	
Students	Early Bird*		CHF 300.–	CHF 80.–
	Regular		CHF 350.–	
Presenters	Early Bird*		CHF 320.–	CHF 80.–
	Regular		CHF 370.–	

*Early Bird registration until the 31st of July, 2018.

Please note that after acceptance of your abstract, the paid conference fee is required for definitive participation.

In order to register, please use our [online-registration](#).

Further information regarding the conference can be found on our webpage [cnhw.ch](#).

For questions regarding the registration or submission: [contact](#)

For questions regarding the conference or the project «[Strategy to counter staff shortage among health professions](#)», please [contact](#):

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