

RESEARCH CONSORTIUM

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Poster Presentation Guidelines for the Research Consortium Conference at the AAHPERD National Convention

POSTER PRESENTATIONS

The poster presentation format involves illustrating your research graphically, using charts, photos, diagrams and text on a poster board. The format affords an opportunity for dialogue about the research with convention attendees circulating among the poster boards. Many authors find it helpful to prepare brief comments on their research to address information in the poster that then can be followed by more in-depth discussions with interested researchers. *The author must remain by her/his poster board for the duration of the session.* Research Consortium poster sessions are scheduled Wednesday through Friday of the Convention.

PREPARING THE POSTER BOARD

All poster sessions are held in the Convention Center Exhibit Hall. AAHPERD will provide a standing 4' x 8' poster board for each accepted poster presentation. Each poster board will be numbered. Consult the AAHPERD Convention Program Book to identify the number assigned to your presentation and use the board with the corresponding number. The author(s) should prepare all materials in advance. Thumbtacks are typically available in the poster session area, though you may wish to bring a few to ensure you will have enough to properly attach your poster to the board.

Materials should include:

- Title
- Authors
- Abstract
- Introduction or review of literature
- Method (including participants, measures, procedure)
- Results (visual displays such as graphs & charts are good)
- Discussion of important findings and applications
- A list of key references, if appropriate

There are no fixed requirements for font style or size; however, it is important that you prepare your poster so that it is easily readable from several feet away. Bring all text and illustrations needed. An example of a research poster board display appears below to stimulate some ideas. Many presenters prepare their posters on a large (about 3' X 6') single page prepared on a map printer. Check with your technology support center to determine if this option is available at your institution. Presenters must mount the display during the 15 minutes prior to the scheduled start time and remove all poster pieces during the 15-minute period following the session so that the board may be used for the next poster session.

Example:

8' WIDE

