**Posters**

If accepted, poster presenters who attend in person will be required to submit their poster in two formats: a traditional A0 paper poster (to be displayed on a poster board) as well as an e-Poster. Virtual presenters will only need to submit an e-Poster. An e-Poster is an electronic version of the traditional paper poster in PowerPoint and PDF format.

Further details will be sent to accepted presenters.

**Please provide full results and discussion within the abstract submission. Poster abstract submissions that declare “results and discussion will be reported” will not be considered for Better Together 2022.**

**Posters abstracts will be included in the conference proceedings and poster session times will be included in the program for delegates to view your displays, however please note that poster abstracts will not be published in the Developmental Medicine & Child Neurology (DMCN) journal.**

**Scientific Poster  
Definition:**The purpose of a scientific poster is to present research on prospectively or retrospectively collected data on a topic of interest to the academy. Ideally the paper focuses on new knowledge or practices, evaluates established practices in a scientific manner. The author can elect to present a scientific poster instead of podium/oral presentation or the decision will be made by the Scientific Committee based on content (i.e. some data are better as a poster than a presentation).  
**Submission Format:**  See abstract guidelines above for free papers, and below for other submission information.

**Demonstration Poster**

**Definition:**The purpose of a demonstration poster is to showcase emerging ideas, generate discussion regarding service delivery models, highlight novel techniques and technologies; and/or advocacy efforts pertaining to the care of people with childhood-onset disabilities. Demonstration posters can be used to highlight an upcoming funded clinical study (i.e. Protocol), but scientific data and analyses are more appropriate for submission as a scientific presentation.

**Submission Format:** The abstract should be structured as follows:

Background/objectives: Provide a brief introductory statement about the central issue followed by the specific objectives of the demonstration poster.

Description: Provide a description of the information to be presented in the poster.

Significance: Briefly explain the significance or importance of the information being presented, highlighting the novel and innovative aspects. Where appropriate, suggest future research that might help establish, validate or strengthen these new ideas.

The following criteria will be used to judge Demonstration Poster abstracts:

* Innovation
* Potential to impact childhood-onset disability
* Free from commercial bias
* Ethical and safe conduct of clinical practice have been addressed.

**Scientific/Demonstration Poster Template**

Please use the below template to draft your abstract and copy and paste directly into the abstract submission portal.

The submission portal will ask you to enter the title and author details directly, these should not be entered onto the abstract page.

*Title: S*hould beno more than 20 words

*Objective:* Provide a brief introductory statement about the issue at hand followed by the specific objectives. State the main study questions and identify any hypotheses being tested.

*Design:* State the study type, e.g. Randomised controlled trial, Systematic review, Cost-benefit analysis, Retrospective cohort study, etc.

*Method:* Describe the participants (report age as mean (SD) in years and months; sex as ‘n=’ (not %); relevant classification/s; recruitment method), instrumentation and measures (use SI units, except for blood pressure use mmHg, convert imperial units to metric), procedure and statistical analyses used.

*Results:* Identify the main study outcomes including results of any statistical tests (show standard deviations as (SD), not ±; do not use percentages for sample sizes below 50; abbreviate probability with a lower case p). Please note that it is not sufficient to state that ‘results will be presented’.

*Conclusion:* State conclusions as clinical implications and future research directions.

*References:*If necessary, a maximum of 3 references will be accepted, but will be included in your 400 word count.

*Figures and tables:* Are not permitted.

*Additional Information:*Additional information such as acknowledgements, disclosures and funding sources are not required and will be removed.

*Abstract Guidelines*: Use a maximum of 400 words, abstracts that exceed the character limit will not be accepted. All abstracts will be printed in black-and-white. There will be no formatting done to the abstract prior to publication in the abstract book. It is important to ensure that your abstract follows the style guide presented in this template to provide a uniform and consistent appearance.

*The following criteria will be used to judge Scientific/Demonstration Poster abstracts:*

* Innovation
* Potential to impact childhood-onset disability
* Conflict of interest must be declared
* Ethical and safe conduct of clinical practice have been addressed.