NON-RESEARCH SCORING RUBRIC - Evidence Based Practice and Quality Improvement Projects

	Character count maximum (with spaces)	Criteria	Yes (1 Point)	No (0 points)	Score	Reviewer Comments	
Title/Introduction	875 characters (including spaces) or less	Does the title reflect the project?					
		Are the project's purpose and goals clearly defined?					
		Is the significance of a healthcare problem well established?					
		Is the significance of the problem supported by evidence from the literature?					
Methods	1050 characters (including spaces) or less	Are research ethics adequately addressed such as protection of live subjects and is a statement regarding IRB/IACUC determination or exemption included?					
		Is the methodology clearly described?					
		Is an implementation **plan** or process described?					
		Is a **plan** for data analysis and/or evaluation described?					
		If the project/initiative is not implemented, skip the results section and the first question under discussion.					
Results	1400 characters (including spaces) or less	Are the results reported in a clear and concise manner?					
		Are the results aligned with the project initiative purpose/goals?					
		Does the data analysis support results?					
		Is the interpretation of the results sound?					
Discussion	1050 characters (including spaces) or less	Are the discussion and conclusion supported by the results?					
		Are the implications and recommendations for clinical practice discussed?					
		Are the project initiative limitations discussed adequately?					
Overall		Is there any critical flaw or weakness that would preclude the abstract from being accepted such as being inaccurate, incomplete or a literature review only?* If yes, you must explain. *A literature review ONLY will not be accepted. A literature review is a review and synthesis of existing published literature on a specific topic or research question. **For an EBP or QI project that does not include implementation, there must be a plan for project implementation and analysis clearly articulated in the methods section.**			Separate Y/N question. If yes, reject. Provide comment.		
Writing Style & Format		Are the guidelines followed?					
		Is APA format correct?					
		Is grammar, punctuation and sentence structure correct?					
		Is the abstract logical and well organized?					