

NON-RESEARCH SCORING RUBRIC - Evidence Based Practice and Quality Improvement Projects						
	Character count maximum (with spaces)	Criteria	Yes (1 Point)	No (0 points)	Reviewer Comments (*Required for "no" responses)	
Overall		Is this abstract worthy of acceptance? If no, and if there is a critical flaw or weakness that would preclude the abstract from being accepted (e.g., inaccurate, incomplete, literature review only), please make note and explain. You must still score the remainder of the abstract. 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.				
Purpose/Question	290 characters (including spaces) or less; 45 words	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	600 characters (including spaces) or less; 100 words	Are research ethics adequately addressed such as protection of live subjects and is a statement regarding IRB/IACUC determination or exemption included? (Note: this is provided separately in the submission outside of abstract text)				
		Is the methodology clearly described?				
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		Is a plan for data analysis and/or evaluation described?				
<i>If the project/initiative is not implemented, skip the results section and the first question under discussion.</i>						
Results	700 characters (including spaces) or less; 110 words	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?				
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		Are the implications and recommendations for clinical practice discussed?				
		Are the project initiative limitations discussed adequately?				
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