

INNOVATING TOGETHER: THE FUTURE OF IPE



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International Congress of Health Education and Research 2026

We are very pleased to announce the details of our next International Congress of Health Workforce Education and Research to be held in Dublin, Ireland on **Wednesday 7th** and **Thursday 8th October 2026**. The event is the 6th iteration of our main conference which we hold once a year and a prime meeting place for international health workforce educators, researchers and policy makers. This two-day event focuses on promoting interdisciplinary co-operation and critical understanding of the latest research in the field of health workforce education, training and development.

We would like to invite potential participants to submit abstracts on the overall Congress theme or any topic related to our many <u>Working Group</u> themes. We will also accept abstracts submitted for topics that should be taught in an interprofessional way, such as communication and leadership. If you have any doubt about your abstract, please <u>contact</u> INHWE Director, David Smith.

Congress Theme: "Innovating Together - the Future of IPE"

Innovating together in interprofessional education (IPE) is essential to prepare the healthcare workforce for a rapidly evolving and increasingly complex care environment. The future of IPE relies on cultivating creativity, adaptability, and forward-thinking collaboration across health disciplines. Innovation in this context means reimagining traditional approaches to education, integrating emerging technologies, and fostering new models of teamwork that address both current and future health challenges. By working together in innovative ways, healthcare professionals can break barriers between disciplines, expand perspectives, and create more dynamic learning experiences. This approach not only strengthens interprofessional collaboration but also ensures that learners are equipped to deliver patient-centered, equitable, and sustainable care. Looking ahead, innovating together in IPE empowers healthcare teams to adapt to change, embrace diversity of thought, and co-create solutions that improve health outcomes for individuals, families, and communities worldwide.

Key Dates

Monday 2nd March 2026: Abstract Submission Deadline

Monday 9th March 2026: Notification of Acceptance or Rejection

Monday 20th April 2026: Presenters' Registration Deadline

Practical Information

About the Submission of Abstracts

- Submit your proposal online via the <u>dedicated portal</u>.
- Submissions and presentations must be in English.
- For submissions from multiple authors all Congress communication will be sent to the person listed as a primary contact on the submission system. The primary contact will be expected to share all event information with their co-presenters.
- Any changes to the presenter(s) or any other contact details must be communicated directly to the INHWE staff.
- Authors can edit their proposals until the submission deadline by e-mailing us at matteo.vezzosi@inhwe.org. No further changes will be accepted after this date.

About the Registration for the Congress

- When submissions are accepted, all participants must confirm their involvement by registering through paying the Congress fee by Monday 20th April 2026. We cannot guarantee that presenters who miss this deadline will be included in Congress proceedings e.g. Programme and Abstract book.
- All presenters who attend the Congress are expected to register and pay all registration, travel and accommodation costs.

Submission Categories

The International Network for Health Workforce Education invites authors to submit abstracts on any topic related to healthcare education and training. You can submit an academic abstract (including introduction, methods, discussion, conclusion) by selecting "Classic Abstract" on the submission system.

Alternatively, you can submit a "**Short Paper**". This type of submission allows the authors more flexibility to deviate from the classic abstract, for example, it may be used by a delegate who wishes to submit a presentation that focuses on policy changes or opinion pieces. Both documents will go through the same review process.

Submission System

When submitting an abstract, you will be asked to complete and submit a dedicated form. The form includes the following information which will be presented to the Review Board:

Presenter Information:	Details (Title, Name, Position, Institution) Country Email		
	Abstract Title Abstract Type		
Abstract:	Short Paper	Short Paper – Large Free Text	
	Abstract	Abstract - Objectives	
		Abstract - Method	
		Abstract - Results	
		Abstract - Conclusions	
	Keywords		
Author(s) & Affiliations:	Author(s) (Title, Name, Position, Institution) Author Approval		
Further Information:	Theme Category Presentation Preference (e.g. Oral, Poster) Supporting Documents		

Registration Fees

The INHWE Network is a **free membership** community that brings together healthcare educators and researchers from all disciplines with an aim to improve the education and training provided to health workforce professionals across the globe. Sign up on https://inhwe.network/ today and take advantage of the discounted fee for members.

	Early Fee	Normal Fee	Late Fee
INHWE Member	€399	€449	€499
Non INHWE Member	€499	€549	€599
Full time PhD Student *	€299	€349	€399

The registration fees include the admission to all sessions, refreshments, taxes, VAT.

Early Fee deadline: Monday 30th March 2026

Normal Fee deadline: Monday 1st June 2026

Discounted Fees

As part of INHWE's ongoing commitment to encourage participation from stakeholders in healthcare education, we are pleased to offer Discounted Fees to support INHWE members aiming to attend our 6th International Congress of Health Education and Research. All prospective applicants who experience adversity in attending conferences are encouraged to apply. Applicants must be working or studying in the field of healthcare education or a related field, must have submitted an abstract by the given deadlines, and must have been invited to present their abstract in Dublin.

Successful applicants will receive support to help defray the cost of their attendance in the form of a dedicated Discounted Fee, **up to 50% off** their registration fee. The admissibility and eligibility criteria will be detailed in the Congress guidelines, which will be published after the Abstract Submission Deadline on **Monday 2nd March 2026**.

Abstract Selection

All submissions will be reviewed by INHWE Directors, along with members of the INHWE Advisory Board.

Contacts

For further inquiries, please contact the INHWE by clicking here.

^{*} Upon registration, you must provide proof of full-time student status.