

Call for Proposals

You are invited to submit a proposal to the 2025 International Summit on Suicide Research of the International Academy for Suicide Research and the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention to be held at the Sheraton Boston in Boston, Massachusetts from November 8-11, 2025.

This meeting will bring together suicide researchers studying topics ranging from neurobiology, epidemiology and genetics to assessment, intervention and prevention. All suicide researchers and those interested in learning about the most innovative evidence are invited to attend and take advantage of this excellent opportunity to network and interact. In addition to plenary sessions with preeminent suicide researchers and symposia, the meeting will include a mentoring program, poster sessions, and workshops addressing methodological issues particular to suicide research. Workshops will cover topics such as assessment of suicidal behavior and risk, strategies for research on low base rate outcomes, use of technology and proxy measures, approaches to facilitate inclusion of underrepresented populations, study design options that produce robust and reliable results, and guidance for the safe inclusion of individuals at high-risk for suicidal behavior.

The Program Committee welcomes all proposals related to suicide research. Below are the submission categories. During the submission process, please select the category in which your proposal best fits as well as a secondary category if your submission covers multiple topics (if applicable).

- Epidemiology
- Neurobiology
- Clinical Risk and Protective Factors
- Clinical Screening and Assessment
- Clinical Treatment and Intervention
- Dissemination and Implementation
- Ethical Challenges and Cultural Considerations
- Genetic and Epigenetic Factors
- Machine Learning and Big Data
- Natural Disasters and Other Public Traumas
- Neurocognition and Decision-Making
- Neuroimaging
- New Technologies for Risk Detection, Monitoring and Intervention
- Other
- Public Health and Community
- Public Health Policy and National Suicide Prevention Strategies
- Research Methodology
- Specific Populations
- Underrepresented Groups and Disparities

Please ensure your abstract abides by the appropriate terminology chart listed below in lieu of the stigmatized terminology. All presenters will be asked to attest that they will only use appropriate terminology during their presentation and in all submitted materials.

Language Do's and Don'ts	
Avoid	Say
"Committed Suicide"	"Died by suicide" "Ended his/her life" "Killed himself/herself" "Took his/her own life"
"Failed" or "successful" attempt	"Suicide attempt" or "death by suicide"

2025 Submission Categories and Deadlines:

Symposia Proposals:

- Symposia sessions should include a chair and 5 speakers.
- The session can include a discussant if you choose.
- The chair of the session can be one of the speakers.
- Each session is 1 hour and 30 minutes long.
- Each speaker will have approximately 15 minutes to speak to allow time for discussion and questions.
- The chair of the session will be asked to submit 2 learning objectives.
- DEADLINE TO SUBMIT: Thursday, March 6, 2025

Oral Presentations:

- Single research presentations lasting 10 minutes with 5 minutes for Q&A and discussion.
- Research reports will be grouped into sessions based on similar topics.
- Each submitter will be asked to submit at least 1 learning objective for their talk for consideration.
- DEADLINE TO SUBMIT: Wednesday, May 14, 2025

Posters:

- Abstract for poster presentation.
- There are two scheduled poster sessions during the Summit: One on Monday and another on Tuesday during lunch. Poster presenters must be available to present on either day as scheduling requests are not accepted.
- Poster presenters are only able to present two posters per poster session.
- DEADLINE TO SUBMIT: Wednesday, May 14, 2025

To submit a proposal, please visit our submission website by clicking here.