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SIGMA REGION 15 NURSING RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM 2019

A Call for Research that Begs to be Translated into Practice
A full-day Symposium on Collaboration in Leadership, Research, and Scholarship
Friday, October 11, 2019
University of New England, Portland, Maine

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS
Submit an abstract to present your Research, QI, or EBP project (completed or in progress)
Deadline: Thursday, March 28, 2019 (no later than 11:59 p.m.)

1. Cover letter with:
   a. Name of all presenters with credentials
   b. Professional title and affiliation
   c. Address, daytime phone #, and email address for primary presenter
   d. Preferred presentation format: oral (15 minutes plus 5 minutes Q & A), poster, or either
   e. Title of presentation
   f. One learning objective (“The learner will be able to...”)

2. Abstract Format: 500 words maximum, 1-page limit; 12-point font

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Submit by email to: Abstract_Region15@mmc.org
Submissions will be acknowledged within one week –
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