## Guidelines

### Abstract submission
Abstracts should be submitted via the online submission form provided below. You can work online on your abstract, save the data and come back to finish it later, until the deadline of March 4. The receipt of your abstract will be confirmed by email.

### Abstract for poster/oral or fringe presentation
You may choose to submit your abstract either for an oral/poster presentation or for a 'Fringe' presentation. The Fringe session provides the opportunity to present something a little different – a free format to bring your message in a creative manner. There is no prescribed format, and presenters may use the time allocated (20 minutes) however they wish, with an emphasis on creativity, performance and engagement with the audience.

### Abstracts for the VvE Student Award
Bachelor and master students are invited to submit an abstract concerning their epidemiological internship. A maximum of four abstracts will be nominated for the VvE Student Award. All nominees will have to give an <u>oral</u> presentation at the WEON.
See for more information: https://www.epidemiologie.nl/activiteiten-2/vve-prijzen/

### Abstract layout
Before you start with the online abstract form, please prepare the following information:
- Just type your abstract in the text box or copy paste your text via Notepad. Avoid using special characters.
- Details of the main author: family name, initial(s), institute, city, country and e-mail address.
- Details of all **co-authors**: family name, initial(s) and institute.
- **Abstract title** is limited to a maximum of **30 words**. Do NOT use CAPITAL letters for the title.
- The **abstract body text** is limited to a **maximum of 300 words.** Structure your abstract with the following headings: Introduction, Methods, Results, and Conclusion. Please note that these heading are not applicable for abstract submitted to the Fringe session. These abstracts may be submitted in any format.
- Figures and tables are not allowed.

### Keywords
You will be asked to select up to 3 keywords that best match your research from the following list of topics and methodology-related keywords: Choose 'other' if none of the topics or keywords fit your abstract.

1. Aging
2. Big Data/Machine Learning/AI
3. Cancer
4. Cardiovascular
5. Causal Inference
6. COVID-19 Pandemic
7. Diabetes
8. Environment/Climate Change

9. Genetics
10. Global Health
11. Infectious Diseases
12. Lifestyle
13. Mental Health
14. Methods/Statistics
15. Molecular
16. Neurology
17. Obesity
18. Occupational
19. Pharmacoepidemiology
20. Prevention
21. Reproductive/Perinatal/Pediatric
22. Respiratory
23. Screening
24. Other

**Review process**

The WEON 2022 scientific committee will review the abstracts. The committee will contact authors by April 22nd, 2022 at the latest with formal acceptance or rejection notices in order to allow presenters sufficient time to register for the conference and make travel arrangements. All notifications will be sent to the e-mail address provided during the abstract submission process.

**Registration**

All accepted presenters must register for the conference before the deadline of the early registration May 7th, 2022. Presenters not registered by this date will not be included in the scientific program.

**Dissemination of abstracts**

All accepted abstracts will be published on the conference website.

**Cancellation Policy**

Please do not submit an abstract if you are not confident that you will be able to attend the conference and present your work. If your abstract has been accepted for a presentation but extenuating circumstances prevent your attendance, we ask that you attempt to find another individual to make the presentation and notify us of this change as soon as possible. If cancellation becomes absolutely unavoidable, please contact us immediately so we can remove your presentation from the conference program.

**General rules**

Abstract submission indicates acceptance of and compliance with the rules outlined below:

- Submission of an abstract constitutes a commitment by the presenting author to attend the conference and present the findings. If accepted, the presenting author is required to pay all costs associated with the conference.
- All co-authors have consented to be included as co-authors and they have read and approved the abstract and its contents. They permit the abstract to be published on the conference website upon acceptance.

- The submitting author of an abstract for an oral, poster or fringe presentation is considered to be the presenting author.
- The work described is original to the authors and was conducted in accordance with current ethical standards. Conflicts of interest should be disclosed.
- Abstracts may not already have been accepted for publication in a peer-reviewed journal at 15 January 2022.