**Presentation Overview**

**Abstract**
- Short summary of your project; Attention catching – What?
- Should match what you submit with registration

**Relevance (Significance)**
- Provides an overview of what your project entails and addresses problems or issues that are relevant to community needs – So what?
- Both the abstract and the intro/background should not take up more than 1 column

**Methods (Objectives)**
- Overview of how you conducted your project. Provide understanding of the appropriate process for identifying and addressing a community need
- Should be understood by an expert as well as someone with no prior experience
- May include images/diagrams

**Outcomes**
- Discuss project’s strengths and limitations as they relate to addressing a local problem or issue
- Highlights what your research shows
- Include graphs, charts, and images

**Reflective Analysis (Now What?)**
- Wraps up your findings
- Provides ideas for future steps

**References & Acknowledgements**
- Reference any citations on the poster using your field specific format
- Acknowledge your mentor, any program sponsors, and funding sources

**Poster “Do’s” & “Don’ts”**

**DO**
- 32”x40” (CES required size)
- Include the NIU institutional logo
- Use san serif font for title and heading
- Use a plain, solid-color background
- Have 30-40% empty space
- Use high quality charts, images, and graphs in place of words when possible

**DON’T**
- Use fancy background options
- Forget to add charts, images, and graphs
- Be text heavy
- Use overly technical language
- Forget to acknowledge those that helped you
- Use different font throughout (title, headings, font, table labels, etc.)

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