HMBANA 2026 INTERNATIONAL DONOR MILK CONFERENCE ABSTRACT CRITERIA

HMBANA Conference Theme: The Milk Banking Ecosystem: Standards, Systems, and Science

HMBANA Conference Objectives:

Session participants will:
- Examine how milk banking operates at the intersection of standards, systems, and science to support infant nutrition.
- Explore innovations in milk banking and lactation support that strengthen the ecosystem through collaboration, research, and practice.
- Consider how shared frameworks can advance informed approaches to milk banking across diverse settings.

Please include the following subheadings in your abstract. Refer to the rubric for details on each:

1. Abstract title
2. Introduction
3. Methods
4. Results
5. Discussion/ conclusion

Deadline for abstract submission: Monday, September 8, 2025

Notices of acceptance: Friday, October 24, 2025

Invitation acceptance date: Friday, October 31, 2025

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	ABSENT	FAIR	GOOD	EXCELLENT	RATING
INTRODUCTION: • Clear concise justified statement of purpose/aims of study or case report • Significance/ contribution to knowledge generation described					
METHODS (see appropriate category below): **Quantitative** • Appropriateness of design, sampling, sample size, procedures (measures & instruments), power analysis, data analysis, rigor **Qualitative** • Appropriateness of design, sampling, sample size, data collection, analysis procedures, trustworthiness **Case Report** • Description of history, physical exam, investigative studies, patient progress					
RESULTS: **Research** • Data linked to study's purpose(s), hypothesis(es), research question(s) **Case Report** • Outcomes					
DISCUSSION/ CONCLUSION: • Accurate interpretation of results/outcomes • Recommendations for practice and/or lessons learned					
OVERALL QUALITY: • Clarity and flow of content					
OVERALL IMPRESSION • Overall scientific merit of abstract and importance of this abstract being presented at this conference					
				TOTAL SCORE (Maximum of 24)	