Review Criteria for Research Abstract

Abstracts rated utilizing the following criteria: 1= poor; 5=excellent

**Background/Significance**
1. The author clearly describes the problem that led to the research study.

**Research Question/Hypothesis**
2. Was the research question or hypothesis clear and concise?

**Research Method**
3. Was the study design stated?
4. Did the author(s) address sampling methods, sample, instruments, and outcome measures?
5. Are the design and method described in a way that will test the research question/hypothesis posed?

**Findings**
6. Did the author report the findings of the research question?
7. Were the findings reported in an acceptable statistical format?

**Discussion**
8. Did the author(s) interpret the findings based on the data reported?
9. Did the author(s) leap to conclusions beyond the data presented?

**Implications for practice?**
10. Were the implications for practice described?

**Abstract Quality**
11. Did the author follow the abstract guidelines?
12. Was the writing clear and professional?