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**8th June 2022**

# Allied Health Virtual Symposium: Hand in Hand

Call for Papers

## History

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## Symposium

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Interplast invites Zoom presentations from Allied Health practitioners in the Asia Pacific region.

Topics of interest include:

Hand focused interventions and therapies

Hand burns

Collaboration in practice

Communication and advocacy

Disability awareness and inclusion in the clinical setting

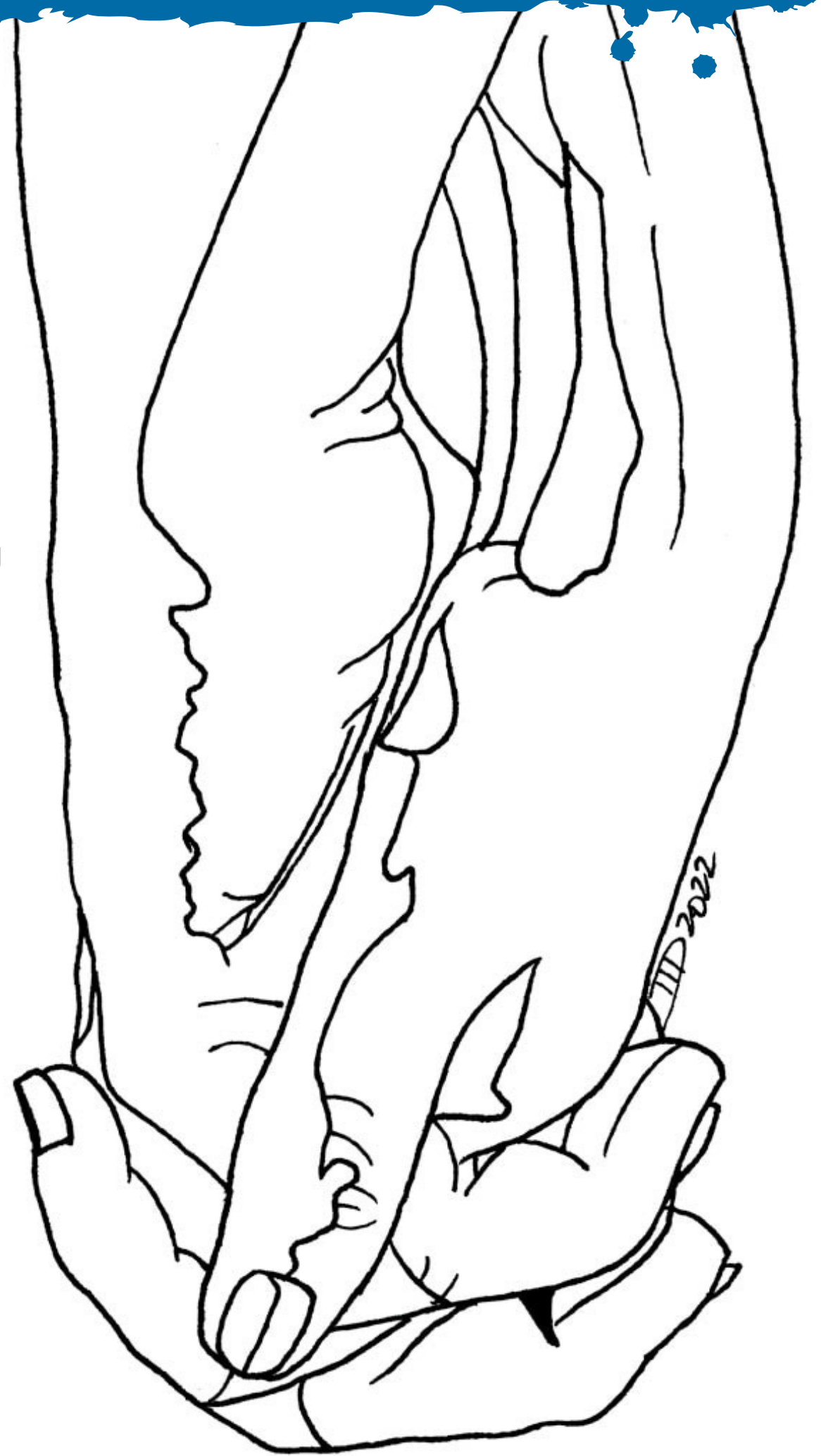
Gender inequality within the Allied Health Professions

Zoom presentation proposals should be submitted by email to [education@interplast.org.au](mailto:education@interplast.org.au) and include the following details:

Title

Abstract/Summary (100-250 word)

Presentation time (suggested range 10min - 30min)



### Important dates:

**Early bird submission: March 18th**

**Early acceptance: March 25th**

**Submissions close: March 31st**

**Acceptance: April 15th**

**Attendance registration opens: April 1st**

### Symposium:

**Wednesday June 8th, 2022**

**1pm - 7pm AEST**



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### Call for Posters

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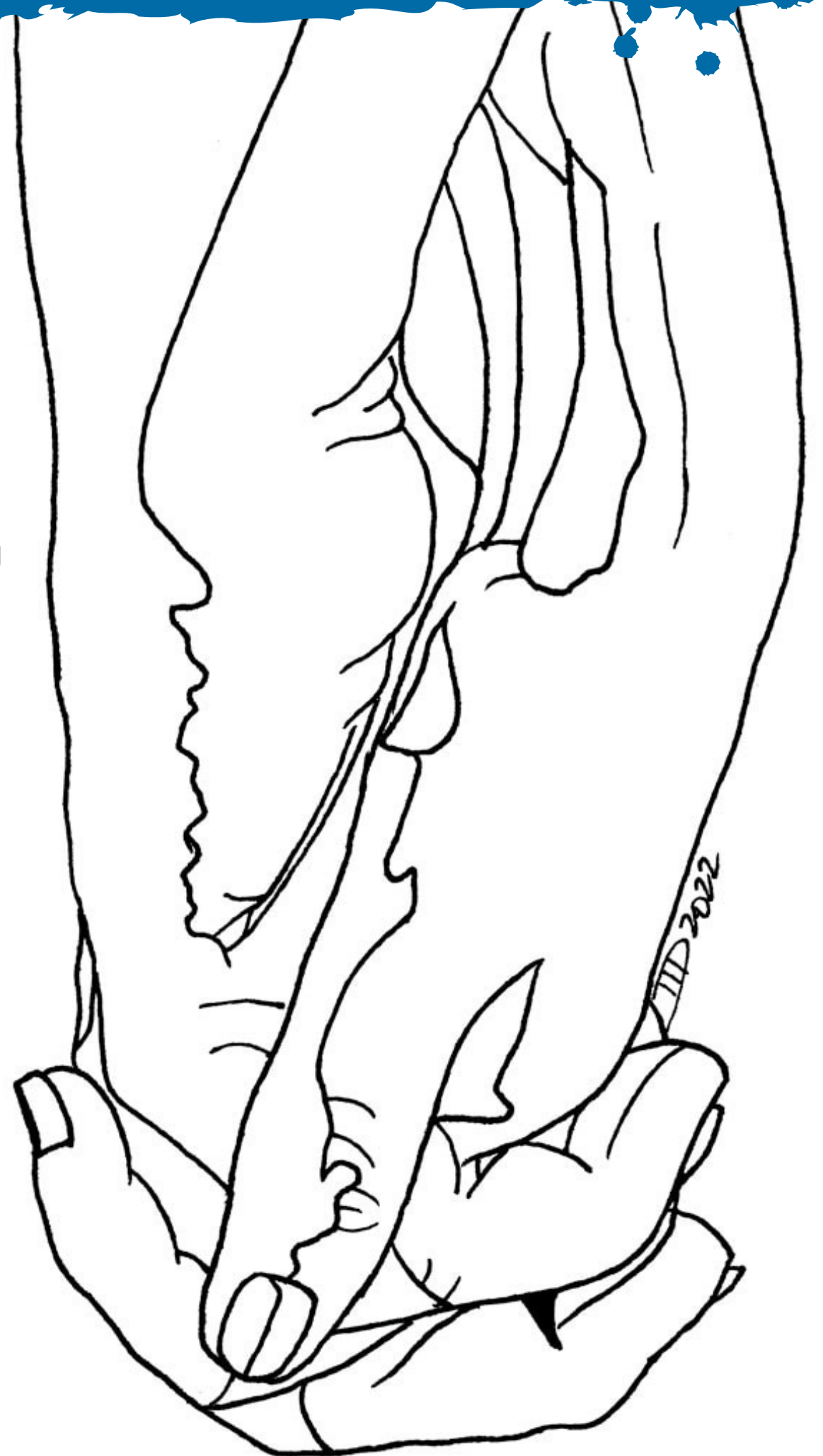
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Interplast invites poster presentations from Allied Health practitioners in the Asia Pacific region.

Poster presentations may be informative, illustrative, or a showcase for innovation or research in any aspect of Allied Health.

Poster presentations should be in a format legible on a standard PowerPoint slide.

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