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CCCN SCIENTIFIC SESSION CALL FOR ABSTRACTS CCCN

Spring 2020 Conference & Annual General Meeting
Friday May 22nd - May 23rd, 2020
Calgary, AB

CCCN is announcing a Call for Abstracts related to any aspect of cardiovascular and/or cerebrovascular nursing for presentation at the Annual Spring Conference and Annual General Meeting, May 22 – 23, 2020, Calgary, Alberta. Abstract submissions are invited for presentation in English or French. Please indicate on the abstract form the language in which you would like to present. Abstracts are invited as four presentation options:

Workshop: Workshop presenters will offer an interactive discussion and analysis of a clinical topic or practice issue in a forum lasting 50–60 minutes. Abstracts for workshop sessions must meet the same criteria as other submissions, and must outline the educational objectives, proposed content area and method of presentation (i.e., case study, multiple choice questions) for attendees to interact with one another and the presenters.

Oral: Paper presentations will be 15 minutes in length with an additional 5 minutes allotted for questions.

Poster: Presenters with posters must be available at their poster location for 30 minutes on one of the two days. Poster presenters may be selected by the abstract review committee to present their poster as a moderated oral poster session.

Oral or poster: Submitters are willing to have their abstract considered by the abstract review committee for an oral or poster presentation.

Submissions are peer-reviewed in one of two categories: research and non-research. An abstract submission is reviewed in the “research” category if it describes some aspect of an original piece of research, either as ‘completed research’ or ‘research in progress’.

The “non-research” category includes abstracts that do not describe an original piece of research (i.e., theoretical or clinical application).

Abstracts are considered under one of the following themes: ACS/AMI, Stroke, Paediatrics and Congenital Heart Disease, Dysrhythmia Management, Health Promotion, Nursing Education, Health Services, Patient Safety, Heart Failure/Transplant, Cardiac Surgery and Other.

The submission of an abstract constitutes a commitment by the author(s) to attend the meeting and to present. All presenting authors must register for the meeting and are responsible for their own transportation and accommodation. Abstract grading is performed by blind review and notification of acceptance or rejection of an abstract occurs by email in February 2020.

Please note: CCCN has an online submission process and all abstracts must be submitted on the website at www.ccn.ca. The online submission process opens **October 14, 2020 and closes December 9, 2020, at 2400 hours**. For more information, visit www.ccn.ca or contact info@ccn.ca

READ CAREFULLY AS FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH INSTRUCTIONS WILL LEAD TO DISQUALIFICATION OF AN ABSTRACT

SUBMISSION INSTRUCTIONS

A. GUIDELINES FOR ABSTRACT PREPARATION

1. Abstracts must be one paragraph
2. Abstracts must be **no longer than 250 words**.
2. Abstracts can be submitted in French or English.
3. Abstracts will be published in the language of original submission unless provided in both official languages.
4. Abstracts must be submitted under only one of the following presentation categories:
 - Workshop
 - Oral
 - Poster
 - Oral or poster presentation
5. Abstracts require headings for research/non-research papers – i.e. background/purpose, methods, results and conclusion.
6. Common abbreviations may be used (i.e. mm Hg) but all other abbreviations must be explained the first time that they are used (i.e., "...the Heart Health Survey (HHS) found that...").
7. DO NOT underline or use bold print within the body of an abstract to emphasize words or phrases.
8. It is recommended that abstracts be composed in a word processing program (e.g., WORD) and then cut and pasted into the abstract template. Please ensure that all spelling and/or grammatical errors are corrected before pasting into the abstract template.

B. SPECIAL ADDITIONAL GUIDELINES FOR RESEARCH ABSTRACTS

1. Authors must organize and present research abstracts with the following information:
 - Background or significance of the problem;
 - Purpose of the investigation
 - Methods to collect and analyze the data;
 - Results of the study; and
 - Conclusions, including implications for practice
2. If study is in progress and results/conclusions are not available, it is necessary to include the potential implications for clinical practice.

C. SPECIAL ADDITIONAL GUIDELINES FOR NON-RESEARCH ABSTRACTS

1. Organize and present the non-research project according to:

- Statement of purpose;
- A description of the issue/program/technique that will be presented;
- Summary of major conclusions; and
- Description of the significance and implications for practice

D. POLICIES

1. Abstracts must conform to instructions and be submitted by **December 9, 2020 at 2400 hrs.**
2. The submission of an abstract constitutes a commitment by the author to present if accepted. Failure to present, if not justified, will jeopardize future acceptance of abstracts.
3. There is no limit on the number of abstracts that an author's name may appear on for submission.

Please note: Abstracts previously presented at CCCN Scientific Sessions will not be accepted. If an abstract is accepted for presentation at CCCN Scientific Sessions, it may not be presented in duplicate at another national conference before or within three months of presentation at CCCN. Similarly, an abstract accepted for presentation at the CCCN Spring Conference cannot have been published before May 1st, 2020.

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