CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS: MARCH 12, 2019 EXTENDED TO MARCH 28, 2019

The Canadian Association of Perinatal and Women’s Health Nurses (CAPWHN) invites nurses and other health professionals in perinatal and women’s health who are members, non-members and students to submit abstracts for presentation at the 2019 CAPWHN Annual Clinical, Education, Research Conference to be held November 8-10, 2019 in Vancouver, BC.

- Abstracts for oral and poster presentations are welcome in either English or French.
- All abstracts are peer reviewed.
- All accepted abstract presenters must register for the CAPWHN National Conference and pay the appropriate registration fee.

Conference Theme: Breaching the Status Quo: Advancing Quality Improvement, Best Practice and Advocacy in Perinatal and Women’s Health

Conference Objectives:

1. Learn about clinical best practices and new research acquired from researchers, experts, and fellow participants that will improve outcomes and enhance shared decision making for women and newborns.
2. Reflect on new developments across the continuum of care for women and newborns that will impact your clinical practice.
3. Discuss innovative and evidence informed strategies to promote excellence and improve outcomes in perinatal and women’s health care.
4. Integrate knowledge learned by engaging in dialogue and networking with other health care professionals.

Abstracts should address the conference theme and fit within one of the following categories:
- Research (completed or in progress);
- Quality Improvement (Innovative programs and processes);
- Knowledge translation (Best practices);
- Clinical Case
ABSTRACT SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

➢ Title: should be brief and clearly indicate the nature of the abstract/presentation.

➢ Abstract submissions will be a maximum of 250 words and must include the purpose, three (3) learning objectives, and a brief description of the presentation and how it aligns with the conference theme and objectives. Identifying information must not be in the text of the abstract. In addition:
  o RESEARCH abstracts should include study purpose, methods (design, sample, procedures), main findings and conclusions with implications for nursing practice. Please specify whether the project is completed or if it is work-in progress.
  o QUALITY IMPROVEMENT (INNOVATION AND CHANGE) abstracts should include background of the issue, motivation for innovation or change, and the process of developing, implementing, and evaluating the innovation or change including implications for nursing practice.
  o KNOWLEDGE TRANSLATION (BEST PRACTICE) abstracts should include a review of what is currently known about a topic, a description of the implementation process, and the implications for nursing practice.
  o CLINICAL CASE abstracts should include a description of a challenging/interesting case scenario, an overview of the issue, and the implications for nursing practice.

Learning Objective Requirements:
Learning objectives must be submitted with the perspective of the session participant in mind; each typically includes an action that is measurable, and which demonstrates learning (e.g., “Following this session, participants will be able to identify the key requirements for ...”).

To learn more about writing learning objectives please see the following:
http://www.bu.edu/cme/forms/RSS_forms/tips_for_writing_objectives.pdf

Examples of Measurable Verbs are accessible here:
http://www.tst.edu/sites/default/files/Bloom's%20Taxonomy%20of%20Measurable%20Verbs.pdf
**We encourage you to discuss your attendance at the conference with your supervisor prior to submission.**


2. Abstracts are limited to **250 words** (excluding title, authors, affiliations, and the additional information regarding objectives/conference theme alignment). Submissions must be made using the online form.

3. Abstracts are accepted for presentations in English or French.

4. **DEADLINE for abstract submission is March 12, 2019 extended to March 28, 2019 at midnight PT.** Please follow the instructions carefully. Incorrect, incomplete or late abstracts will not be reviewed.

5. Following the submission deadline, abstracts will undergo a peer review process with author names and identifying information omitted. The abstract content should not contain identifying information.

6. All abstracts are reviewed by the Abstract Review Working Group. The **corresponding author** will be notified via e-mail of the results of the review process by the end of April 2019.

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**Please note that all authors and co-authors of accepted abstracts presenting at the conference must register for the conference and pay their own expenses (conference fees, travel, accommodation, etc.).**

For more information, clarification or questions about the abstract submission process please e-mail: admin@capwhn.ca.