

2017 ARCC Conference – Call for Abstracts

Canada's Applied Research in Cancer Control Conference

May 25-26, 2017

Hilton Toronto | Toronto, Ontario

Guidelines & Instructions

The Canadian Centre for Applied Research in Cancer Control (ARCC) is now accepting online submissions of abstracts for oral & poster presentations to be presented at our sixth annual conference being held May 25th-26th in Toronto, Ontario. The ARCC Conference is Canada's only applied cancer control research conference, bringing together policy & decision makers, researchers, clinicians, trainees, and other stakeholders to share work in the areas of health economics, services, policy, and ethics as it relates to cancer control in Canada. Don't miss out on the chance to feature your work, Submit an abstract today!

Important Dates

Abstract Submission Opens: Friday, December 2, 2016

Abstract Submission Closes: Friday February 3, 2017

Notification of decisions: March 2017

Registration Opens: Friday January 13, 2017

Questions?

If you have any questions about abstracts, please contact

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Presentation Formats

There will be two presentation formats: oral and poster. People can pre-select the format. However, abstracts submitted for consideration as oral presentations will subsequently be considered for poster presentations if not accepted for oral.

Please note that all posters must be printed in portrait style to fit the poster boards. Poster boards are 8ft tall and 4ft wide, including the frame. Posters should be printed to a maximum width of 45”.

Abstract Submission Content Guidelines

The online process will collect contact information for the presenter and co-authors, sources of funding, and whether the submission represents a student’s project. Please note that the system will only allow entering of up to 10 co-authors. Should you need to add additional co-authors, please contact Karen Speers by email at karen@f2fe.com

The abstract submitted should not exceed 325 words and should not include authors and organizations in the text.

Instructions, Guidelines & Important Information

Please read the information below carefully

- Proposals for presentations of either format (oral or poster) must identify the presenting author(s) as the main contact. The presenting author information should not be included in the content of the abstract itself.
- All presenters accepted through the abstract submission process and/or presenting at the conference must register for and pay to attend the conference, and are responsible for their own related expenses. In addition, if the accepted presenter invites additional speakers to present with them at the conference, they must also register for and pay to attend the conference. Travel and accommodation costs will not be covered.
- All abstracts must be submitted using ARCC’s online abstract submission process.
- There is no limit to the number of abstracts an author may submit; however, the number of accepted oral presentations may be limited for each presenter. Groups of authors are therefore encouraged to share presenting responsibilities.
- Accepted abstracts will be published in the conference program which will be distributed to the conference delegates and presentations will be made available electronically on the ARCC website following the conference.
- Abstract submissions should be for research that is either complete or will be complete by the conference date.
- Names of authors and organizations must not appear in the text of the abstract.
- The text should appeal to ARCC’s interdisciplinary membership of decision makers, clinicians, researchers, and trainees.
- Avoid specialized jargon and undefined abbreviations. Do not include tables, figures, diagrams, footnotes, references, or acknowledgements in the text of the abstract.

- More details regarding registration as an abstract presenter will be provided upon acceptance of the abstracts for the conference.
- The conference office will aim to meet all reasonable requests for audio-visual equipment, based on the type and duration of the presentation. Upon acceptance, the conference secretariat will confirm audio visual details for your presentation.
- Please be sure to note specific requirements or considerations when submitting your abstract online.
- All abstracts submitted for oral presentation that are not accepted will be automatically considered for poster presentation.
- Please do not submit your title or abstract using only capital letters. These will be automatically corrected which may lead to errors.

Research Topics

Submitted abstracts should identify which of the areas of focus below best describe the research:

- Health Technology Assessment
- Societal Values and Public Engagement
- Health Systems Services and Policy
- Survivorship
- Knowledge Translation

Methods

Abstracts submitted for the conference should identify which of the methods used below best describes the abstract being submitted.

- Administrative Data Analysis
- Economic Analysis or Evaluation
- Mixed Methods Research
- Program or Policy Evaluation
- Public Engagement
- Qualitative Research Methods
- Quality of Life & Preference Elicitation
- Other: Please Specify

Evaluation Criteria for Oral and Poster Submissions

Using a blinded review process, the Abstract Review Committee will review oral and poster abstracts using the following criteria:

- The content of the abstract provides new insight and/or knowledge in the area of applied cancer control;
- The abstract is clear and well organized;
- The proposed presentation is innovative and/or original; and
- The proposed presentation will be of significant interest to conference delegates.

Student Travel Awards

The Canadian Centre for Applied Research in Cancer Control announces the availability of travel awards for ARCC student members presenting at the 2017 ARCC Conference being held in Toronto, Ontario, May 25th-26th, 2017. Travel awards of up to \$1000 will be awarded to a limited number of students.

Guidelines

To be eligible, an individual must be the presenting first author of an abstract submitted to the 2017 ARCC Conference. Applications for student travel awards must be received during the abstract submission period alongside abstract submission. Abstract submission for the 2017 Conference will be open between December 2nd, 2016 and February 3rd, 2017. The exact number of awards given will be determined based on available funds and budget requests by applicants.

Notification of award will come with abstract acceptance information in early March. ***Please do not register for the conference prior to receiving the final decision to avoid refund charges.***

Eligibility

Applicants must meet the following eligibility criteria:

- A member of the Canadian Centre for Applied Research in Cancer Control (if not already a member, [join here](#));
- A current full-time student or recent graduate (degree received during 2016);
- First author and presenter of a submitted abstract; and
- Not a recipient of a Student Travel Award in the previous year.

Application

The completed online application must include:

- Title and submission confirmation of the abstract to be presented at the 2017 ARCC Conference;
- A brief summary of research interests and accomplishments to date;
- A completed travel budget indicating expected expenses and other potential sources of funding;
- Supervisor's contact information (we will contact your supervisor by email to get their support for your application); and
- Commitment to providing a brief conference report (1 page) outlining the awardee's experience at the conference.
- Confirmation of enrollment or recent graduation must also accompany the application form.

Funding Release

Recipients of an ARCC Student Travel Award will receive a registration code which will provide complimentary registration to the conference. To receive remaining award funds, an awardee must attend the 2017 ARCC Conference and present his/her submitted abstract. After the conference, a completed travel expense claim form together with original receipts (including all boarding passes) must be submitted within 30 days of travel (attention to **Kim van der Hoek, ARCC Centre Manager**, BC Cancer Agency Research Centre, 675 West 10th Avenue, Vancouver BC, V5Z 1L3). Funds will not be release until the written report has been received.

Adjudication

The 2017 ARCC Conference Committee will coordinate the Student Travel Awards. All applications will be adjudicated by two members of the committee and the highest ranked applications, as determined by the average of the two committee members, will receive Student Travel Awards. Conflicts of interest will be resolved by having an additional committee member evaluate the application. Applications will be evaluated using the following three criteria: financial need and relevance of conference attendance to training goals and research interests; quality of abstract submission; and distance travelled to conference by presenter.

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Do you want to become a member of the ARCC Network?

Joining is free! The ARCC Network is a virtual community of Canadian researchers, decision makers and trainees who are interested and invested in applied cancer control research. For more information on the benefits of becoming an ARCC Network member visit our website at www.cc-arcc.ca/.