



# The 6<sup>th</sup> Health and Wellbeing in Children, Youth, and Adults with Developmental Disabilities Conference

# **Creating Partnerships**

November 7-9, 2018

#### **DESCRIPTION**

The term developmental disabilities (DD) refers to individuals with intellectual disability, autism spectrum, fetal alcohol spectrum and related neurodevelopmental genetic syndromes. Children, youth, and adults with DD are vulnerable to high rates of general health and mental health concerns. This interactive 2018 conference will focus on practical strategies and partnerships to optimize their potential. Our goal is to help clinicians and caregivers learn effective ways to work with individuals with DD, and their families, in partnership to improve their quality of life experience. The conference will also provide educational and informative psychiatric, behavioural, mental health, and complex physical health updates specific to individuals with DD, and showcase best practices in the field. This conference will engage health care providers and educators from a wide range of professional disciplines in knowledge transfer and interdisciplinary collaboration.

## **LEARNING OBJECTIVES**

- Review evidence based clinical best practices in physical, mental health and education for individuals with DD
- Explore new research in physical, mental health and education for individuals with DD
- Identify core issues and challenges facing individuals with DD and their families
- Consider ways to build partnerships to maximize health and wellbeing
- Develop connections, share knowledge and common experiences with individuals and service providers involved in the field of DD

## **WHO SHOULD ATTEND**

- ABA Therapists
- Audiologists
- Behaviour Therapists
- Caregivers
- Case Managers/Planners
- CLBC Staff
- Community Service Providers
- Counselors
- Direct Service Professionals
- Dentists
- Dental Hygienists
- Educators

- Families
- FASD Keyworkers
- First Nations Health Directors
- Health Authority Staff
- Lawvers
- Mental Health Therapists
- MCFD Staff
- Multicultural & Refugee Service Providers
- Nutritionists
- Nurses/ Nurse Practitioners
- Occupational Therapists
- Pharmacists

- Physical Therapists
- Physicians
- Policy Makers
- Program Managers
- Psychologists
- Public Guardian & Trustee
- Researchers
- Self-Advocates
- Social Workers
- Speech & Language Therapists
- STAAD Navigators
- University & College Programs

And anyone who is interested or works in the field of Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities

## **LOCATION & ACCOMMODATION**

The Sheraton Vancouver Airport Hotel, 7551 Westminster Hwy, Richmond, BC

A special hotel room rate of \$150.00 + taxes has been set aside for conference participants. Book your accommodation today to avoid disappointment. Specify that you are booking under the Health and Wellbeing Conference 2018 and call +1-800-663-0299 to reserve now and save! Rooms need to be booked by October 10, 2018. To book your accommodation online please click here.



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## **Deadline for Abstract Submissions: April 30, 2018 & June 25, 2018\***

## **CALL FOR ABSTRACTS**

The Health & Wellbeing in Children, Youth and Adults with Developmental Disabilities Conference provides an excellent forum for authors to present their work in an interactive setting. Posters are ideal for presenting scientifically based investigation, clinical case studies, and demonstration of community projects. Posters are intended to provide authors and participants from a variety of disciplines with the ability to connect with each other and to engage in discussions about the work. Submissions from students are strongly encouraged.

#### **SUBMISSION**

Please use the online submission form at <u>interprofessional.ubc.ca</u> to start the abstract submission process. Note that presentation title and presenter names & affiliations should be provided as you would like them to appear on the website and in the conference program. Please indicate if you would like to present this submission as an oral session as a few posters may be highlighted as 15 minute oral sessions with 5 minute Q & A. \*Please note, if you would like to present your submission as an oral session, the deadline is **APRIL 30, 2018**. Should you wish to submit your abstract as a poster only, the deadline is **JUNE 25, 2018**.

## **THEMES**

H-Brain: Health: Brain H-Body: Health: Body

HMH: Health: Mental Health

APA: Administrative, Policy, Practice, Advocacy (incl. Respite, Cultural & Wellbeing)

## **ABSTRACTS SHOULD INCLUDE**

- Purpose: Present main research questions, hypothesis, reasons for undertaking the investigation
- Methods: Include descriptions of participants, procedures, instrumentation, data analysis, or the equivalent
- Results: Results presented in the poster can be preliminary, incomplete (in process of data collection), and can include anticipated or speculated results
- Implications: Clearly present the "take home messages" from your investigation as it relates to mental health and developmental disabilities in Canada. Keep in mind the conference objectives (see advance notice)
- References: Include approximately three-five references on which the current work has been based on
- 2-4 learning objectives

#### **POSTER AWARDS**

There will be two poster awards presented at the conference:

Best Research-based Poster Award

Best Information-based Poster Award

## **EXHIBITS**

Organizations interested in exhibiting programs related to development disabilities are invited to contact the conference organizer for more information. Exhibit space is limited.

## **PLEASE NOTE**

Presenters of accepted abstracts will not receive honoraria or reimbursement for any incurred expenses including accommodations and travel.

