



Canadian Society for Epidemiology and Biostatistics
CSEB 2019 CONFERENCE
May 13 – May 15 (Ottawa, ON)

Epidemiology and Biostatistics at the Nexus of Complex Health Challenges

Call for Abstracts

The Canadian Society for Epidemiology and Biostatistics invites you to submit an abstract for the 2019 CSEB Conference.

Abstract Submissions Opens: Tuesday, October 23, 2018

Deadline for Abstract Submissions: **Friday, February 1st, 2019 at 11:59 PM (EST)**

Submit Your Abstracts Here at:

<https://www.events.f2fe.com/cseb/abstract/index.cfm?ID=m50A0tN>

For any questions regarding this abstract submission process, please contact the Conference Secretariat at:

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ORAL PRESENTATIONS

A majority of the CSEB Conference is dedicated to oral presentations. These are grouped by the Scientific Program Committee into thematically related areas. Each oral presentation will be given 12-15 minutes to present and 5 minutes for Q&A. Abstracts submitted for consideration as oral presentations will subsequently be considered for poster presentations if not accepted for the oral format. Student presenters will have the opportunity to be considered for a scientific prize based on their abstract submission and presentation.

POSTER PRESENTATIONS

Posters must remain on display at the designed time. Student presenters will have the opportunity to be considered for a scientific prize based on their abstract submission and presentation.

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION CONTENT GUIDELINES

The online process will collect contact information regarding the presenter and co-authors, sources of funding, preference for an oral vs. poster presentation, and whether the presenter will be a student.

To facilitate peer review, abstracts describing works completed or works in progress must include the following sections: Objectives, Methods, Results or Preliminary Results, Conclusion or Next Steps. Abstracts describing Works Proposed/Study Protocols should include the following sections: Objectives, Methods.

Works Completed or in Progress

- Objectives, Methods, Results or Preliminary Results, and Conclusion or Next Steps (300 words)

Works Proposed (in proposal stage)

- Objectives and methods (300 words)

Abstracts submitted to this conference should reflect original work. If questions arise about the eligibility of work for submission to this conference, please contact the organizers to discuss the details at brandy@f2fe.com. Authors accept sole responsibility for the statements in their abstracts. Abstracts should be carefully proofread to avoid errors. Once the abstract has been submitted, editing can only be performed in exceptional circumstances by contacting the organizers.

Abstracts will be reviewed on the basis of novelty and quality of the research, relevance to the advancement of epidemiology, biostatistics, and/or population health, and clarity. The abstract should clearly present the objectives and hypotheses of the study and include a summary of new, unpublished results. Abstracts which do not contain the results of the project will generally not be accepted for presentation unless the work is clearly conceptual or theoretically based. **Abstracts on topics in any area of epidemiology and biostatistics are eligible, not just those related to the meeting's theme.**



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INSTRUCTIONS, GUIDELINES & IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Each abstract is to be submitted for one of two formats: **Oral Presentations** and **Poster Presentations**

- All submissions must identify the presenting author(s) as the main contact.
- Presenting author(s) must include names of all co-authors in the submission as well as obtain permissions from all co-authors to submit and present the work at the CSEB conference.
- All abstracts must be submitted using CSEB's online abstract submission process. Authors will receive an automatically generated email from the system to confirm the successful submission of their abstract. The e-mailed confirmation of receipt is not a notice of acceptance of the abstract for presentation at the Annual Meeting
- 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 will be made available electronically on the CSEB site following the conference.
- French submissions are encouraged – presenters are permitted to submit in the language of their choice and to present in the language of their choice. Simultaneous interpretation will not be available at the conference.
- All abstracts being presented at the conference will be listed only in the language that they are submitted. "Authors may submit abstracts in English or French."
- Names of authors and organizations must not appear in the text of the abstract to allow for blinded peer review
- 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.
- Students must identify whether they would like to be considered for a scientific prize and therefore must confirm that they agree to being judged (abstract and presentation).
- 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.
- Anyone only attending the conference to present their abstract must register for the conference (one day rate available). Travel and accommodation costs will not be covered. Registration for the conference must be completed by March 8, 2019.



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ABSTRACT AREAS OF FOCUS

Abstracts submitted for the conference should identify which of the areas of focus below best describe the abstract being submitted.

- ❖ **Addictions & Mental Health** (*Addictions, Mental Health, Psychosocial Health*)
- ❖ **Aging & Musculo-Skeletal Health** (*Dementia, Palliative Care, Bone and Joint Health*)
- ❖ **Biostatistics** (*Statistical Methods, Modeling, Computer Systems and Software*)
- ❖ **Cancer** (*Etiologic Studies, Outcome Studies, Cancer Control*)
- ❖ **Cannabis** (*Health impacts, Surveillance, Policy*)
- ❖ **Cardiovascular Disease & Stroke** (*Prevention, Screening, Treatment*)
- ❖ **Chronic Disease & Injury** (*Injury, Respiratory, Other Chronic / Neurological Disability*)
- ❖ **Clinical & Pharmaco – Epidemiology** (*Clinical Trials, Pharmacoepidemiology, Systematic Reviews, Clinical Outcomes*)
- ❖ **Diabetes** (*Prevention, Screening, Treatment*)
- ❖ **Environmental & Occupational** (*Environmental Health, Occupational Health, Risk Assessment*)
- ❖ **Epidemiologic Methods** (*Study Designs, Data Quality and Record Linkage, Cohort Studies*)
- ❖ **Ethics**
- ❖ **Genetic and Molecular Epidemiology** (*Genetic Epidemiology, Genomics, Bioinformatics, Molecular Epidemiology*)
- ❖ **Health Services Research & Economics** (*Health Services Research, Health Economics, Health Systems and Policy*)
- ❖ **Healthy Cities**
- ❖ **Immunization**
- ❖ **Indigenous Related Health**
- ❖ **Infectious Disease** (*STD, HIV/AIDS, Eco-health / One Health, Veterinary Epidemiology*)
- ❖ **Knowledge Transfer / Exchange** (*Risk Communication, Systematic Reviews, Policy Development and Evaluation*)
- ❖ **Machine Learning and Artificial Intelligence Methods** (*Machine Learning, Neural Networks, Deep Learning, Natural Language Processing, Unstructured data*)
- ❖ **Maternal & Child Health** (*Perinatal and Neonatal, Maternal Health, Child Health*)
- ❖ **Nutrition, Physical Activity & Obesity**
- ❖ **Population Health Interventions**
- ❖ **Public Health / Population Health** (*Disease Prevention, Population Health*)
- ❖ **Rural/Remote Health**
- ❖ **Social Determinants of Health** (*Social epidemiology, Measuring social determinants*)
- ❖ **Spatial Epidemiology, Mapping and GIS** (*Geographical Epidemiology, Surveillance Systems*)
- ❖ **Surveillance** (*Surveillance Systems, Surveillance Methods*)

EVALUATION CRITERIA FOR SUBMITTED ABSTRACTS

The Scientific Committee will review oral and poster abstracts based on the following criteria:

- Relevance to the advancement of epidemiology, biostatistics, and/or population health
- Clearly articulated questions/problem
- Methods (clear description, appropriateness of design and analytic approach)
- Results (completed, preliminary are anticipated are clear and compelling and logically flow from objective)
- Overall impact and novelty
- Overall clarity



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