

# Call for Abstracts

The Canadian Society for Epidemiology and Biostatistics invites you to submit an abstract for the 2023 CSEB Biennial Conference taking place from June 26th to 28th at the Westin Hotel in Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Abstract Submissions Open	Thursday, November 17, 2022
Abstract Submission Deadline	Wednesday, February 15, 2023
Notifications of Decisions	Friday, March 24, 2023

For more information about abstract submissions and the conference visit: <u>https://cseb.ca/events/2023-conference/</u>

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

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# **Presentation Types**

Abstracts can be submitted for 1) Works Completed or in Progress, or 2) Works Proposed (in proposal stage). The conference will host two categories of presentations as follow.

#### **Oral Presentations**

Oral presentations are selected and grouped into thematically related areas and presented during the concurrent session programming of the conference. Each oral presentation will be granted 10 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 (subject to budget).

#### Poster Presentations

Poster presentations will be highlighted in two ways.

- (1) Posters will be displayed at the in-person event. Dedicated time will be allocated in the conference program for participants to visit the posters and interact with the presenters.
- (2) Posters will be posted to the conference app for participants to view in advance of, during and after the conference.

## **Abstract Submission Process**

All abstracts must be submitted using CSEB's online abstract submission process. The online submission form will collect contact information regarding the presenter and co-authors, sources of funding, and preference for presentation type.

- All submissions must identify the presenting author as the main contact.
- o 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.
- The areas of focus that best describe the abstract being submitted must be chosen. A list of options can be found below.
- o Please be sure to note specific requirements or considerations when submitting your abstract online.
- 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.

## Instructions, Guidelines & Important Information

Abstracts submitted to this conference should reflect original, new, not previously published research or conceptual/theoretically-based work. Abstracts on topics in any area of epidemiology and biostatistics are eligible. If questions arise about the eligibility of work for submission to this conference, please contact the organizers to discuss the details at vicki@f2fe.com.

- ❖ 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.
- Abstracts can be submitted in one of two categories, as described above:
  - o Oral Presentation
  - Poster Presentation
- 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.
- ❖ 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.
- Abstracts must be 300 words or less.
- Abstracts must be structured to include the following sections:
  - Works Completed or in Progress: Objectives, Methods, Results or Preliminary Results, and Conclusion or Next Steps
  - Works Proposed (in proposal stage): Objectives and Methods
- 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.
- Authors accept sole responsibility for the statements in their abstracts. Abstracts should be carefully proofread to avoid errors.
- ❖ The Scientific Committee will review all submitted abstracts according to the criteria listed in the section that follows.
- ❖ Accepted abstracts will be published in the online conference program that will be distributed to the conference delegates and will be made available electronically on the CSEB site following the conference.
- ❖ All presenters of abstracts accepted for presentation at the conference must register for and pay to attend the conference. 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. More details regarding conference registration will be provided upon acceptance of the abstracts.

## Areas of Focus

Abstracts on topics in any area of epidemiology and biostatistics are eligible. When submitting an abstract, the main areas of focus that best describe it should be indicated. *Mixed methods research is welcome!* 

#### Ageing & Musculo-Skeletal Health

(Dementia, Palliative Care, Bone & Joint Health)

#### **Biostatistics**

(Statistical Inference, Design Of Clinical Trials, Statistical Modeling)

#### Chronic Disease, Injury & Multimorbidity

(Injury, Cancer, Diabetes, Cardiovascular Disease & Stroke, Respiratory, Other Chronic/Neurological Disability, Multimorbidity)

#### Clinical Epidemiology & Pharmacoepidemiology

(Clinical Trials, Drug Safety and Effectiveness, Systematic Reviews, Clinical Outcomes)

#### COVID-19

(Health Impacts, Surveillance, Policy)

#### **Environmental & Occupational**

(Climate Change, Environmental Health, Occupational Health, Risk Assessment)

#### **Epidemiologic Methods**

(Study Designs, Ethics, Data Quality, Record Linkage, Cohort Studies)

#### Issues in Equity, Diversity & Inclusiveness

(Social & Political Dimensions of Disparities in Health)

#### Genetic & Molecular Epidemiology

(Genetic Epidemiology, Genomics, Molecular Epidemiology)

#### Global Health

(International Perspectives on Health, Low & Middle Income Country Health)

#### Health Services, Systems & Economics

(Health Services Research, Health Systems & Policy Studies, Econometrics, Cost-effectives Analysis, Resource Allocation)

#### Immigrant Health

(Refugee Health, Health of Recent Immigrants)

#### Indigenous Health

(First Nations, Metis, & Inuit Peoples)

#### Infectious Diseases & Immunization

(STD, HIV/AIDS, Eco-health/One Health, Vaccine Hesitancy, Veterinary Epidemiology)

#### Machine Learning & Artificial Intelligence Methods

(Neural Networks, Deep Learning, Natural Language Processing, Unstructured Data)

#### Maternal & Child Health

(Reproductive, Perinatal, Neonatal, Maternal, and Child Health)

#### Mental Health

(Mental Health, Psychosocial Health, Psychiatric Epidemiology)

#### Nutrition, Physical Activity & Obesity

(Food Security, Nutritional Epidemiology, Physical Activity Interventions)

#### Public Health / Population Health

(Disease Prevention, Population Health, Population Health Interventions)

#### Rural/Remote/Circumpolar Health

(Health in High Latitude Environments, Access to Care)

#### Social Determinants of Health

(Social Epidemiology, Measuring Social Determinants)

### Spatial Epidemiology / Healthy Cities

(Geographical Epidemiology, Surveillance Systems, Methods, Health Impacts of Urban Planning, Walkability)

#### Substance Use

(Cannabis, Vaping, Cigarettes, Alcohol, Opioids, Substance Use Disorders)

#### Surveillance

(Descriptive Epidemiology, Error and Inference, Systems)

## **Evaluation Criteria for Abstracts**

The Scientific Committee will review all submitted abstracts on the following criteria:

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

Submit Your Abstracts!