CALL FOR ABSTRACTS
Call for abstracts opens December 1, 2013
Deadline for submissions is January 31, 2014

Online Submission: www.eply.com/CGSCallforAbstracts

The 34th Annual Meeting of the Canadian Geriatrics Society 2014 invites abstracts to be submitted for presentations. This meeting is an unparalleled opportunity to keep up with evidence based advances in healthcare for older people.

The program is focused on practical multidisciplinary skills as well as state-of-the-art research including:

- COPD
- Interventional Cardiology
- Movement Disorders: Differentiating Atypical Presentations
- Advances in the Prevention and Management of pressure ulcers

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION GUIDELINES:
1. Abstract submission opens December 1, 2013.
2. Abstracts submission online only. Use the link above for abstract submission.
3. Abstracts must contain original material, not published or presented at any other meeting prior to the 34th Annual Meeting of the Canadian Geriatrics Society 2014.
4. More than one topic/theme will be allowed per submission.
5. Text only; upload of graphics, tables, images, etc. will not be available.
6. The total length of the abstract (Background/ Purpose, Methods, Results, Discussion & Conclusion) should not exceed 280 words.
7. Once the online submission has been completed, you will receive immediate automated confirmation of receipt of your submission.
8. All abstracts will be peer reviewed.
9. Language of submission, English only

Abstract Submission Deadline – January 31, 2014 11:59 pm MST

All submissions will be reviewed for quality, relevance and merit. Please ensure that your abstract does not contain spelling, grammar, or scientific mistakes, as it will be reproduced exactly as submitted. No proof reading will be done.
NOTIFICATION OF ACCEPTANCE/REJECTION:
Presenters will be notified by **February 28, 2014** (11:59 pm MST) if their abstract has been accepted or declined. Further details will be requested from those that are accepted.

Authors of all selected abstracts will have their abstract in the conference’s syllabus and published in a future issue of the Canadian Geriatrics Society Journal.

ORAL PRESENTATION:
This year, the conference begins with oral presentations of the 6 top scoring abstracts. All abstracts will be considered for these slots unless the authors expressly do not wish their abstract to be considered. All oral presentations will consist of a 7-minute presentation, followed by a 3-minute discussion period.

POSTER PRESENTATIONS:
There are 2 categories of poster presentation.

1. **Discussed posters**
Discussed posters will be presented by their author in a dedicated session. All posters will be available for viewing prior to the session and the author should be present to discuss their paper with society members. During the session, authors will have the opportunity to present their key findings for 3 minutes, using not more than 3 slides and allowing 3 minutes for discussion.

2. **Non-discussed posters**
Non-discussed posters will be displayed electronically at a number of viewing podia throughout the conference. Authors are expected to be present at their podium to allow judges to discuss their poster and findings. There will be several poster viewing sessions throughout the three days. Please be sure that that the presenting author is present at the poster for the judging process at the specified time contained within your acceptance form. Be prepared to provide a short oral summary of your poster to facilitate discussion and answer questions.

POSTER GUIDELINES:
Posters should be produced for on screen viewing. Each poster will be displayed in a rotation of 10, each lasting for 3 minutes. The screen size is 52 inches, 16:9. Colours and fonts should be optimized for viewing. More details will be provided to those that are chosen to display their posters.

The following awards will be available:
- **Jack MacDonell Prize**: for the best scientific presentation by a subspecialty resident (Geriatric Medicine PGY4, PGY5 or Family Medicine Care Of the Elderly PGY3) at the CGS Annual Scientific Meeting. (This category will not be open to graduate students.)
- **Willard and Phoebe Thompson Award**: for the best scientific presentation by a medical student, health professional student, or undergraduate degree student at the CGS Annual Scientific Meeting.
- **Rejean Hebert Canadian Institutes of Health Research – Institute on Aging Prize**: for the best scientific presentation by a post-graduate medical trainee (General Internal Medicine PGY1, PGY2, PGY3 or Family Medicine PGY1, PGY2) at the CGS Annual Scientific Meeting.
- **Edmund V. Cowdry Award**: for the best scientific presentation by a Masters, PhD or post-doctoral student.
- **CGS Poster Awards (3)** – for any trainee or student.

For queries regarding abstract submission, contact Lynda Marques, at conference@canadiangeriatrics.ca or call 780-735-6232.