



**18th Canadian Collaborative
Mental Health Care Conference (2017)**
Connecting People in Need with Care
June 2 and 3, 2017 | Delta City Centre, Ottawa, Ontario

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

DEADLINE: MONDAY FEBRUARY 6, 2017 at 4:30 PM (Eastern Time)

PROPOSALS SHOULD INCLUDE:

- Title of the presentation
- Presenter name(s)
- Degree(s), professional designation(s), organization(s)
- Three learning objective(s)
- Two literature references (as applicable)
- Description of presentation/abstract (max 250 words)

An individual/group may submit more than one proposal.

Submissions from consumers and family members are particularly encouraged.

CRITERIA FOR ACCEPTANCE:

All proposals will be evaluated according to the following criteria:

- Consistency with the 2017 theme, *Connecting People in Need to Care*, and the learning objectives of the conference (see below)
- Fit within one or more of the identified four main conference themes/(streams) (note you will be asked in the submission to explain how you feel that your abstract fits into the stream(s) you choose):
 - Mental Health Care Across the Lifespan
 - Hard to Serve Populations (refugees, marginalized/vulnerable populations)
 - The Future of Shared Care: Dialoguing on policy, what does policy tell us?
 - Leveraging Technology for Collaboration and Capacity
- Relevance to collaborative primary and mental health care
- Originality
- Scientific rigor (evidence, impact)

2017 CONFERENCE LEARNING OBJECTIVES:

Increase knowledge about collaborative practice in mental health, and in particular...

- Focus on Mental Health Care Across the Lifespan, Hard to Serve Populations, Policy, and Technology
- Illustrate the value of inclusion of people with lived experience in the design of care services and in the development of a “culture of collaboration”
- Create opportunities for further engagement of primary care, specialist care and allied health professionals to work in a “shared practice” model with mental health patients and family members
- Support the curation of knowledge related to collaborative practice in mental health and present it in a meaningful and organized way that supports **knowledge exchange and replication of innovative and impactful programs**

PRESENTATION FORMATS:

Contributors to the conference are invited to submit proposals for consideration by the Scientific Committee in one of the following formats:

- ✓ **A paper presentation** (20 minute presentation plus 10 minutes for questions) will address innovative programming, completed research that has been demonstrated through evaluation to have an impact on clinical practice, system design or policy development related to collaborative mental health.
- ✓ **A “works in progress” (WIPS) paper presentation** (20 minute presentation plus 10 minutes for questions) will seek feedback from the audience to enhance a paper or other innovative ideas/endeavors in progress. The presenter will begin by outlining the project and what they hope to achieve through dialogue with participants, and the rest of the session will be focused on attendees providing their suggestions. This is a unique opportunity to obtain assistance and feedback from colleagues, participants, and experts on a project you are working on.
- ✓ **A poster presentation** will address concepts and research related to the conference theme. The presentation follows previous conference formats, which facilitate face-to-face contact with attendees to increase the opportunity for academic discussion and collaborative networking.
- ✓ **An interactive workshop** (60-90 minutes) provides participants with the opportunity to respond to and reflect on the material presented while achieving specific learning objectives. The workshop may include a panel, and at least half the time should be available for discussion.
- ✓ **An innovative presentation** (20-90 minutes) is one in which the presenter(s) utilize(s) one or a variety of media or formats to address key learning objectives, for example, a film and commentary, interpretive dance, performing music, performing a play, etc.
- ✓ **A symposium** (60-90 minutes combined) will include 3 or 4 papers and/or presentations on a common theme.
- ✓ **A storyboard** is an opportunity to tell your story of a project or an experience in a comfortable setting with receptive listeners. It may include a life-changing event that changed your attitudes, clinical approach, or interactions towards particular individuals, groups, or systems that resulted in successes or lessons learned in keeping with the conference’s theme.

Accepted proposals must be presented in the language in which they were submitted (English or French).

Notifications will be sent by the end of March 2017.

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Questions?

Please contact Cassandre Boland, Conference Planner, at cboland@toh.ca.