

Prevention Matters 2017
Standing Together for Children's Health

October 4 - 6, 2017
TCU Place, Saskatoon, SK

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

All abstract submissions are due no later than February 28, 2017

The Saskatchewan Prevention Institute is pleased to invite you to submit abstracts for our conference *Prevention Matters 2017: Standing Together for Children's Health*. The conference will be held in Saskatoon, SK at TCU Place, October 4-6, 2017. We welcome submissions for oral presentations, workshops, or posters within the conference streams listed below. The Saskatchewan Prevention Institute's mandate is to reduce the occurrence of disabling conditions in children.

CONFERENCE PURPOSE and OBJECTIVES

Purpose: *Prevention Matters 2017* will provide opportunities to explore prevention efforts to support the health of Saskatchewan children. The conference will focus on **four streams**: public health; child maltreatment; maternal and infant health; resources and skill development for individuals who work directly with children and their families, including mothers, fathers, extended family, and (all) other caregivers.

Objectives:

1. Apply prevention/primary care strategies to emerging public health issues related to children and families
2. Explore current issues and new evidence pertinent to the identification, investigation, management, and prevention of child maltreatment
3. Discuss application of best evidence regarding current and emerging issues that impact the outcome of pregnancy for both the woman and infant
4. Practice skills and strategies to enhance the interaction between care providers and families
5. Explore the impact of trauma on the health of children and families and recognize the importance of a trauma-informed approach in clinical and non-clinical provision of care
6. Develop inter-sectoral connections that will facilitate prevention efforts

Prevention Matters 2017 focuses on the four streams noted above. All presentations should include interactive periods and focus, not only on issues, but also on solutions.

Please note: We are in the process of applying for CME accreditation for this conference.

PRESENTATION FORMATS

- **Oral Presentation** – Oral presentations will provide an opportunity to present innovative projects or research pertaining to a relevant conference theme. You may submit abstracts for oral presentations that are 15, 30, or 60 minutes in length. Oral presentations must allow ample time for questions (25% of allotted time).
- **Workshop** – Workshops will allow for the demonstration and application of techniques and skills related to one of the conference themes. Workshops must be interactive in nature (at least 25% of allotted time) and can be organized to fit time slots of 1½ or 2 hours.
- **Poster** – Posters will offer a visual presentation of research findings. Posters will be presented on October 5. Presenters are expected to attend their posters at noon on October 5. Poster board size is 4' x 8' and all materials must fit within this space.

SUBMITTING an ABSTRACT

To submit an abstract, please complete the attached Abstract Submission Form and email to lhinton@skprevention.ca.

SELECTION CRITERIA

All abstracts submitted will be reviewed by the Conference Content Committee and will be selected on the basis of:

- consistency with the overall conference theme and four priority areas;
- relevance and potential applicability of the presentation content to other conference participants; and
- clarity and quality of the abstract.

REGISTRATION

All presenters will be expected to register for the conference. Registration fees will be waived for **one** presenter of workshops and oral presentations, but **not** for poster presentations. All other expenses, such as travel and accommodation, will **not** be covered by the conference.

IMPORTANT DATES

- All abstract submissions are due **February 28, 2017**. Late submissions will not be accepted.
- Notification of acceptance will be sent via email by **March 20, 2017**.

QUESTIONS

For any questions regarding the abstract submission process, please contact Lee Hinton at lhinton@skprevention.ca or 306-651-4318.