

27th Canadian Conference on Global Health

Abstract Submission Guidelines

All abstracts must follow the guidelines outlined below:

- Abstracts may be submitted in English or French. Abstracts for posters and video presentations may also be submitted in Spanish.
- Abstracts must be submitted **online**.
- Abstracts for orals and posters should not exceed **400 words**. Abstracts for workshops, symposia and video should not exceed **600 words**.
- Abstract titles should not exceed **150 characters (including spaces)** and should *not* be in all caps. An example of correct formatting is: Global capacity for emerging infectious diseases and surveillance
- While you may indicate an oral presentation, please note that you may be offered a poster.

Abstracts must also address at least one of the following **cross-cutting theme questions**:

- How have improvements been scaled-up nationally, internationally – indicating how partnerships shaped the scale-up?
- How did this initiative contribute to women and girls' empowerment?
- How was innovation used to address your health issue?
- Do improvements reflect the inter-connectedness of environment, animal and human health in diverse ways?

Each submission must answer the following **additional questions**:

1. What is the type and strength of the local, national or international partnership?
2. What are the tangible improvements to health that resulted from the partnership?
3. In hindsight, what is one thing you would *not* have done?

Oral and posters: Abstracts for oral and poster presentations should be structured as follows up to a maximum of 400 words:

1. Issue/objective: Describe the issue including the background, objectives, as well as the significance of the subject related to the theme and subthemes.
2. Methodology/approach: include settings, research methods and time frame
3. Results: Research submissions should report results. Policy/program submissions should report findings/lessons learned
4. Discussion/conclusion: May include implications of the project/research, policy impact, scale-up activity
5. Address at least one cross-cutting theme question.

Workshops: Abstracts should contain (up to a maximum of 600 words):

1. Background: Please explain the rationale for organizing the workshop
2. Learning objectives: Please outline what the participants can expect to learn through this workshop
3. Expected outcome/results: Indicate what innovative methods you will use to conduct the workshop and the level of interactivity. What is the added value of organizing the workshop? Include the room layout of the workshop or plan to run it virtually
4. Main messages: Please summarize the impact of your proposed workshop in short key messages
5. Address at least one cross-cutting theme question.

Symposia: Abstracts should contain (up to a maximum of 600 words):

1. Background: Please explain the rationale for organizing the symposia
2. Learning objectives: Please outline what the participants can expect to learn through this panel
3. Expected topics: Indicate the expected topics and discussion points covered by the panel speakers and format for the session
4. Main messages: Please summarize the impact of your proposed symposium in short key messages
5. Address at least one cross-cutting theme question.

Videos: Abstracts should contain (up to a maximum of 600 words):

1. Background: Explain the issue addressed and rationale for the video/documentary
2. Learning objectives: Outline what the participants can expect to learn through the video/documentary and the focus of a discussion after the video is shown
3. Topics: Indicate the topics and discussion points covered by the video
4. Main messages: Summarize the impact of your proposed video in short key messages
5. Address at least one cross-cutting theme question.

Sufficient and precise information must be provided in the abstract to permit evaluation by reviewers.

Evaluation criteria

All submitted abstracts will be peer-reviewed by the Abstract Review Committee in July 2021. Each abstract will be reviewed by up to 3 reviewers according to the following criteria:

Workshops:

- Relevance to the overall theme and sub-themes
- Value and clarity of the learning objectives
- Level of interactivity and use innovative methods for interaction
- Diversity of the perspectives of the workshop (diversity in terms of geography, sector, gender will be considered)

Symposia:

- Relevance to the overall theme and sub-themes
- Value and clarity of the learning objectives
- Coherence of presentations in relation to objectives
- Diversity of the speakers on the panel (diversity in terms of geography, sector, gender will be considered)

Orals and posters:

- Relevance to the overall theme and sub-themes
- Is the abstract/research innovative?
- Are the design and methods of the research appropriate?
- Can the research be used in other countries/settings?
- Are the lessons to be learned relevant to others?

Videos:

- Relevance to the overall theme and sub-themes
- Value and clarity of the main messages
- Quality of the video