

**Canadian  
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**Conseil canadien  
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cardiovasculaires**

**CCCN Scientific Sessions  
Call for Abstracts**

CCCN is announcing a Call for Abstracts related to any aspect of cardiovascular and / or cerebrovascular nursing for presentation at the Canadian Cardiovascular Congress (CCC) being held in Toronto, ON from October 20<sup>th</sup> – 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2018.

CCC is the largest gathering of cardiovascular health professionals and researchers in Canada, drawing attendees from across the country and around the globe. The CCC is a unique opportunity for updating and maintaining scientific knowledge through accredited educational opportunities, while also providing an ideal forum for networking and research advancement.

The CCCN program has historically been presented on two specific days of Congress. This year CCCN Nursing Science will be presented as a Nursing Track within the CCS Scientific Program, throughout the entire four days of Congress.

In submitting a nursing abstract you will not identify the format of presentation. CCS has transitioned from Oral Presentations to Moderated Presentations and ePosters Sessions. The CCCN Research Committee will adjudicate the nursing abstracts and determine the format of presentation, ePoster or a Moderated Presentation.

CCCN Submissions are peer-reviewed in one of two categories: research and non-research. An abstract is reviewed in the “research” category if it describes some aspect of an original piece of research, either as ‘completed research’ or ‘research in progress’. The “non-research” category includes abstracts that do not describe an original piece of research (i.e., theoretical or clinical application).

Submissions are accepted in the following tracks:

- ACS/AMI
- Stroke
- Paediatrics and Congenital Heart Disease
- Dysrhythmia Management
- Health Promotion
- Nursing Education
- Health Services
- Patient Safety
- Heart Failure / Transplant
- Cardiac Surgery
- Other

## Technical Support

If you have any questions concerning the online submission program or have any difficulty submitting your abstract, please contact:

Email: [abstracts@ccs.ca](mailto:abstracts@ccs.ca)

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Toll free: 877-569-3407 Ext: 408

## Fee

There is no fee for submitting abstracts for CCC.

## Submission Instructions

- Abstracts must be received electronically through the content management submission system no later than **May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2018 Noon (EDT)**.
- Paper or faxed submissions will not be accepted. The content management submission system will identify your abstract as complete or incomplete. If incomplete, the system will flag the one or more steps that need attention. Submissions with incomplete status will not be accepted. The submitter has until the deadline to complete his/her abstract submission.
- A Conflict of Interest Disclosure Statement form identifying commercial relationships must be completed online for each author (prompted by the content management submission system). The submitting author is to ensure all conflicts are identified for all authors, and can complete the disclosure on behalf of all authors, but must be done so in consultation with each individual listed. By disclosing any direct or indirect conflicts of interest, the submitter authorizes the CCS to disclose conflict. Disclosure information for accepted abstracts will be made available to CCC delegates via the CCC website.
- Submitter's may return to the online system to edit abstracts, revise information, or delete abstracts at any time before the submission deadline. After this time, the system will be closed and only completed abstracts will be included in the review process.
- No change in abstract title, content, and names or order of authors will be accepted after the submission deadline of **May 1<sup>st</sup>NOON (EDT)**.
- There is no limit to the number of abstracts an individual may submit.
- If you are submitting a related abstract to multiple meetings (including AHA, ACC, and ESC) please ensure that you are fully aware of their submission guidelines and regulations.
- If an author's name appears on more than one abstract, his/her names must appear identically as that author would enter it. This consistency will streamline the process of facilitating proper indexing in the Final Programme, CCC app, and CJC Supplement. Whenever possible, do not list authors with initials only.
- Abstracts containing identical or near identical data submitted from the same institution and/or individuals may be disqualified.
- A submitter should not "split" data to create several abstracts from one. If splitting is judged to have occurred, scores of related abstracts will be reduced.
- Accepted abstracts will be published in a special October supplement of the *Canadian Journal of Cardiology*. Authors whose abstracts are accepted give CCS permission and authority to submit and have published his/her abstract, without compensation, in the *Canadian Journal of Cardiology*.
- An abstract that will be published as a journal manuscript prior to October 1<sup>st</sup>, cannot be presented at the CCC.

- Submission of an abstract constitutes a commitment by the author(s) as to the integrity of the data and that they agree with the submission.
- Misrepresentation of affiliations or other information will result in disqualification or withdrawal of the abstract and may affect future abstract acceptances.
- Your abstract, if accepted, will be published in print and electronic versions as submitted. The entire abstract will be available for viewing in both the printed and online CJC Supplement.
- **Withdrawal of Accepted Abstracts** must be received at [abstracts@ccs.ca](mailto:abstracts@ccs.ca) no later than July 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018 to avoid publication in the *Canadian Journal of Cardiology*.

### Submission Guidelines

1. Abstracts must be no longer than 250 words.
2. Abstracts can be submitted in English or French.
3. Abstracts will be published in the language of original submission unless provided in both official languages.
4. Section titles must be included in the abstract submission. For 'research' abstracts, the headings must include a background or significance of the problem, purpose of the investigation, methods used to collect and analyze data, results, implications and conclusions. Likewise, 'non-research' abstract section titles should identify a background or significance of the issue, purpose for the project, methods (techniques or activities undertaken), findings, implications for practice and conclusions.
5. For work in progress where results/conclusions are not yet available, it is necessary to include the potential implications for practice.
6. Do not underline or use bolded print within the body of an abstract to emphasize words or phrases.
7. Common abbreviations may be used (i.e., mm Hg) but all other abbreviations must be explained the first time they are used. Use of abbreviated terms should be kept to a minimum.
8. Numerals should be used to indicate numbers except to begin a sentence.
9. Non-proprietary (generic) names should be used for drugs.
10. Symbols can be embedded in the abstract body. The CCS is not responsible for any symbols, graphics, fonts, or special characters that do not appear or are lost in translation due to software or hardware incompatibilities with the file submitted.

### Grading and Selection of Abstracts

Blinded abstract grading is organized and conducted through the CCCN National Research Committee.

Submission of an abstract constitutes a commitment by the author(s) to attend CCC and to present. All presenting authors must register for the meeting and are responsible for their own transportation and accommodation.

Registration will open at [cardiocongress.org](http://cardiocongress.org) in June.

### Notice of Status of Abstract

All abstracts submitted must comply with these guidelines to be considered for acceptance. Notification of acceptance or rejection of abstracts will be emailed in July. Submitters can also check the status of their submission through the content management submission system in July.