CALL FOR PAPERS

The Canadian Conference on Developmental Disabilities and Autism provides a platform to share information, practical tools, and current research to help professionals and decision makers better support the people they serve.

You have knowledge, information and best practices to share. We have a group of 800+ conference delegates who will find your presentation valuable!

We welcome both research and practice presentation proposals for any of the following formats:

- **Workshop or Lecture** – Highly-interactive sessions with a focus on learning and practical skill development. The sessions are 60 minutes long. It is expected that the audience will be engaged and encouraged to participate.

- **Video Poster** – A series of slides/multimedia with narration to be looped continuously throughout the conference. Approximately 5-8 minutes is ideal.

- **Poster Presentation** – High-quality evidence and research findings available and understandable to audience. Printed on paper or cloth, no greater than 120 cm in width or height.

The following information must be included:

- Presentation title and abstract (up to 250 words) and plain language synopsis (up to 50 words)
- List of authors/presenters and affiliations
- For the contact presenter only: Full address, phone number, email address, Photo
- Brief biography (75 words max)
- Session type (select 1 of 3 above)
- Describe the audience who will benefit most from your presentation

Submission of a Call for Papers implies that:

- The content of the submission is unique, or if previously presented to a different audience, has been adapted to suit the CCDDA and our audience
- Presenters are able to present on either day of the conference unless indicated otherwise
- Presenters are comfortable presenting and answering questions in plain language
- Presenters will be provided with free access to conference keynotes and breakout sessions for the day of the presentation for one person only, unless negotiated in advance. Breakfast, lunch, and snacks are available for an additional cost and require registration in advance.

Email your submission to callforpapers@stamant.ca by April 17, 2020.
CONFERENCE DESCRIPTION

The Canadian Conference on Developmental Disabilities and Autism, presented by St. Amant, is an annual gathering intended to bring together a range of people committed to enhancing quality of supports and services for people with developmental disabilities and autism.

Join us in 2020 to share your expertise and experience with a diverse group of attendees.

AUDIENCE

Direct Support Professionals ● Nurses ● Early Childhood Educators ● Educators ● Social Workers ● Consultants ● Executive Directors ● Administrators ● Tutors ● Policy Makers ● Psychologists ● Physicians ● Family or Caregivers ● Case Managers ● Behaviour Analysts ● Counselors ● Dentists ● Dental Hygienists ● FASD Key Workers ● Mental Health Therapists ● Nutritionists ● Occupational Therapists ● Pharmacists ● Physical Therapists ● Researchers ● Speech and Language Pathologists ● College and University Professors & Students in any related discipline

CONFERENCE LEARNING OBJECTIVES

Promoting Social Change and Action - This conference provides a forum for leaders and professionals to come together and explore successes, challenges, and reflections on promoting social change and action to support full inclusion for people with developmental disabilities. For example, you may have expertise in human rights, story-telling, social enterprise, or fostering relationships. We strive to showcase examples of person-centred and family-centred supports, collaboration, and advocacy that lead to success in these areas.

High Quality Health & Clinical Supports - A central theme of this conference is improving the care, support services and advocacy for people with developmental disabilities. Sessions led by experts in health and clinical services will be geared towards providing appropriate and collaborative supports to people and their families.

Leadership Excellence - We intend to deliver opportunities to develop skills at all levels in an organization. Our sessions will provide participants with specific tools to manage common leadership challenges, consider the effects of personal leadership styles, and approach situations in a strategic and collaborative manner.