

Prevention Matters 2019: Connecting & Collaborating Learning from One Another for Healthy Child Development and Well-Being

**October 2-4, 2019
TCU Place, Saskatoon, SK**

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

All abstract submissions are due no later than March 29, 2019.

The Saskatchewan Prevention Institute is pleased to invite you to submit abstracts for our conference *Prevention Matters 2019: Connecting & Collaborating: Learning from One Another for Healthy Child Development and Well-Being*. The conference will be held in Saskatoon, SK at TCU Place, October 2-4, 2019. We welcome submissions for oral presentations and workshops that meet the conference purpose and objectives, listed below. Prevention Matters 2019 will have a General Conference Stream and a Medical Stream. Submissions must identify the stream to which they are being submitted. The Saskatchewan Prevention Institute's mandate is to reduce the occurrence of disabling conditions in children.

CONFERENCE PURPOSE and OBJECTIVES

Purpose: *Prevention Matters 2019* will focus on building connections and collaborations across disciplines and across the province, to learn from one another to address healthy child development and well-being. The conference will highlight **the role of prevention in health** and how **knowledge exchange** (sharing knowledge in multiple directions and ways) is the foundation to addressing needs and improving health.

Prevention Matters 2019 will provide opportunities for *Connecting* and *Collaborating* to:

- Identify and strengthen attendees' role in prevention to achieve the best health possible for children in Saskatchewan
- Highlight ways Saskatchewan healthcare and service providers are currently participating in knowledge exchange
- Identify future opportunities for attendees to apply and benefit from knowledge exchange in their work

Medical Stream Objectives:

The one-day medical stream fits within the *Prevention Matters 2019* conference, building on the overall purpose of the conference to meet the professional development needs of healthcare providers in Saskatchewan.

As a result of attending the Medical Stream, participants will be able to:

1. Develop clinical capacity in the prevention and early detection of common primary care medical problems in prenatal, child, and adolescent populations.
2. Identify strategies that can be utilized to engage patients and families in prevention practices to improve child health.
3. Understand the complexities of the interaction of social determinants of health upon healthcare outcomes and utilize evidence-based tool(s) to better assess and address social determinants of health in children and their families.
4. Recognize the contribution of knowledge exchange (KE) in strengthening healthcare practice and improving child health in Saskatchewan (examples of KE in healthcare include: evidence-informed medicine, cultural sensitivity and humility, listening to the patient voice, trauma-informed practice, and many more).

Please note: We are in the process of applying for Continuing Medical Education (CME) accreditation for the Medical Stream of this conference.

CONFERENCE STREAMS and THEMES

There will be **2 streams** at *Prevention Matters 2019*: a General Conference Stream and a Medical Stream.

1. **MEDICAL STREAM:** A one-day medical stream within *Prevention Matters 2019* aims to address the needs of healthcare professionals, with applicable information, training, and tools to use in their practice. The medical stream is open to all conference participants.
2. **GENERAL CONFERENCE STREAM:** The general stream will run over all 3 days and benefit community-based professionals, service providers, and healthcare providers who work with children, families, and communities. This includes Support Workers, Home Visitors, Maternal Child Health Workers, Parent Mentors, Social Workers, Educators, Early Childcare Workers, Mental Health and Addictions Counsellors, Youth Workers, Adult Allies, Nurses, Prenatal Care Providers, and other healthcare professionals.

There are **2 themes** to *Prevention Matters 2019*.

1. **Role of Prevention in Health**

An overarching priority of the Prevention Institute is to highlight the essential role of prevention in the health and well-being of children. Every child has the right to the best health possible throughout his or her development. Working upstream has a positive impact on the health and well-being of children, families, and communities. The Prevention Institute's role is to share evidence-based and promising practice programs, services, and resources to support those who work in communities and those who provide healthcare.

2. Knowledge Exchange for Healthy Families and Communities

Knowledge exchange is a foundation of the Prevention Institute's work. For us, knowledge exchange is a process of sharing knowledge in multiple directions and ways. Knowledge includes evidence-based information from research and promising practices, as well as the lived experiences, values, and capacities that exist within communities and individuals. All members in the exchange process should learn and benefit from each other's knowledge. While the primary purpose of the Prevention Institute is to share evidence-based knowledge, we recognize that to do this effectively we need to learn from the knowledge and experience of healthcare and service providers, and the families and communities they work with.

PRESENTATION FORMATS

- **Medical Stream Presentation** – Presentations will provide an opportunity to present projects, research, strategies, or tools pertaining to a relevant medical stream objective(s). Presentations will be 30 minutes or 60 minutes in length. A requirement of Continuing Medical Education (CME) accreditation is that 25% of each session is interactive. Interactivity does not have to take place all at once; it can occur throughout the presentation.
- **General Conference Presentation** – Presentations will provide an opportunity to present innovative projects or research pertaining to a relevant conference theme. Presentations will be 30 minutes or 60 minutes in length. Presenters must allow time for questions within their allotted time.
- **Workshop** – Workshops will allow for the demonstration and application of techniques and skills related to the conference purpose and 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.

SUBMITTING an ABSTRACT

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

SELECTION CRITERIA

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

- consistency with conference purpose and objectives;
- relevance and potential applicability of the presentation content to conference participants; and
- clarity and quality of the abstract.

REGISTRATION

Registration fees will be waived for **one presenter** of workshops and oral presentations. **All other expenses, such as travel and accommodations, will not be covered by the conference.**

IMPORTANT DATES

- All abstract submissions are due **March 29, 2019**. Late submissions will not be accepted.
- Notification of acceptance will be sent via email by **April 30, 2019**.

QUESTIONS

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