

# 37th NAPCRG Annual Meeting

November 14-19, 2009  
Le Centre Sheraton Montreal Hotel  
West Montreal, Quebec, Canada



## Call for Papers



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**Submission Deadline: April 20 2009**

You are invited to submit a proposal, present a paper, poster, workshop or forum at the 2009 NAPCRG Annual Meeting in Montreal, Quebec. Proposals on any topic relating to primary care research are welcome from researchers throughout North America and the world.

## General Rules for All Submissions

If you would like a group of papers to be considered for presentation together (for example on a particular topic area), then please email NAPCRG@STFM.org at the time of submission giving the titles of the papers and the presenting author. The request will be considered by the program committee but each paper will still be considered individually for acceptance on its own merits.

- Submissions must be entered using the on-line submission process located at [www.napcrg.org](http://www.napcrg.org) no later than April 20, 2009.
- Submissions must meet all the requirements of the proposed category.
- A non-refundable submission fee of \$20 US is required for each submission. NAPCRG accepts Visa, MasterCard, and American Express.
- Research previously published at the time of abstract submission or presented at international meetings is not acceptable.
- All presenters must register for the conference and pay the appropriate registration fees.
- To accommodate as many presenters as possible, the NAPCRG Program Committee reserves the right to limit each presenter to only one presentation. However, anyone may be listed as coauthor on multiple papers and may present another person's paper if the original presenter is not able to attend.
- Acknowledgment of receipt of submissions will be e-mailed automatically after you complete your submission. Letters of acceptance will be e-mailed by August 1, 2009.

**Questions?** Contact us at 800-274-2237, ext. 5422 or via e-mail at [jjones@stfm.org](mailto:jjones@stfm.org).

## Submission Categories

### Oral Presentation on Completed Research

**If you are submitting an abstract** in this category, the research must be complete at the time of the Call for Papers submission deadline of April 20, 2009.

**Paper presentations** will be given in concurrent sessions and will be grouped as best as possible by your selected preferences during the submission process.

**A maximum of 15 minutes** – 10 for presentation and 5 for discussion and transition to the next paper – will be allotted for individual paper presentations.

**The Program Committee** reserves the right to convert papers on completed research from podium presentations to poster presentations based on suitability and/or the need to limit each presenter's podium presentations.

**If your research is complete** by the submission deadline, you have the option to submit a full paper to be considered for the honor of Distinguished or Extended Papers (see below).

### Poster on Completed Research

**If you are submitting an abstract** in this category, the research must be complete at the time of the Call for Papers submission deadline of April 20, 2009.

Poster presentations will be given stand-alone time to maximize contact between researchers.

Presenters are asked to attend their posters during designated periods.

### Poster on Research in Progress

**If you are submitting an abstract** in this category, the research must be in progress at the time of the Call for Papers submission deadline of April 20, 2009. If your research is in progress at the time of the submission deadline but will be complete by the meeting, you should submit your abstract as a poster on research in progress.

**Poster presentations** will be given stand-alone time to maximize contact between researchers.

**Presenters are asked to attend** their posters during designated periods.

**Residents and Fellows:** We will begin accepting submissions for the Works-In-Progress Posters this summer. Please check the website or contact Jason at [jjones@stfm.org](mailto:jjones@stfm.org) for details.

### Workshop

**Workshops will be scheduled** as 90-minute sessions and will run concurrently with other sessions.

**Workshops should be presentations** on research methodology or research skills development that involve audience participation.

### Forum

**Forums are informal 3-hour sessions** designed to provide researchers with an opportunity to discuss methodological challenges encountered while applying for funding or conducting a project.

**Researchers with similar interests** can share ideas regarding methodology, sampling, statistical methods, planning studies, etc.

### Preconference Workshop

All Submissions must be received using the online system which is available at [www.napcrg.org](http://www.napcrg.org)

**Preconference workshops are for a select group** of half-day or full-day sessions that do not fit into the format of the conference schedule.

**Preconference workshops should be presentations** on research methodology or skills development that involve audience participation. (See following page for additional requirements.)

#### Submission Information for Distinguished and Extended Papers

**To be considered for a distinguished paper** or an extended paper (please see description on the back page for further details), a full paper must be submitted along with the requirements listed for a Paper on Completed Research. The research project must be complete at the time of the Call for Papers submission deadline of April 20, 2009, to be considered for a distinguished or extended paper presentation. Please limit your paper to five single-spaced pages, not including title page, figures, tables, and references. Follow the online submission instructions for submitting a full paper with your abstract on completed research.

#### Abstracts Requirements for all Submissions

**Limit abstract to 300 words.** This does not include the title and authors.

**Abstracts must be in English.**

**Type the body of the abstract** as one paragraph. The abstract must be written in third person.

**The abstract should contain** the appropriate subheadings described below.

**The abstract should not contain** charts, graphics, references, or acknowledgments.

**Abstracts will be published as submitted.** Before submitting your abstract, check carefully to make sure it contains no spelling or typographical errors.

**Type your abstract in a text document** and then copy and paste it into the abstract field during the online submission process. Do not type your abstract directly into the abstract field as this will take too much time and the page may time out forcing you to restart the process.

#### Abstract Format for Papers and Posters

**Context:** The abstract should begin with a sentence or two summarizing the rationale for the study, providing the clinical (or other) reason for the study question. In addition, the author should give a sentence or two about the importance of this work to family medicine/primary care.

**Objective:** State the objective or study question addressed (eg, to determine whether . . .). If more than one objective is addressed, the main objective should be indicated and only key secondary objectives stated.

**Design:** Describe the basic design of the study. Use descriptors such as double blind, placebo controlled RCT, cohort, case control survey, case series, cost-effectiveness analysis, or qualitative study. For new analyses of existing data sets (secondary data analysis), the data set should be named and the basic study design disclosed.

**Setting:** Describe the study setting(s) such as general community, a primary care or referral center, private or institutional practice, or ambulatory or hospitalized care.

**Patients or Other Participants:** State the important eligibility (inclusion and exclusion) criteria and key sociodemographic features of patients. Provide numbers of participants and how they were selected.

**Intervention/Instrument (as pertinent):** Describe the essential features of any interventions. The intervention should be named by its most common clinical name (e.g. the nonproprietary drug name propranolol).

**Main and Secondary Outcome Measures (if any):** Give the primary study outcome measurements. Measurements that require explanation for a general medical readership should be defined.

**Results:** Give the main results of the study. The results should be quantified, including confidence intervals (eg, 95%) or P values where appropriate. If research is in progress, state anticipated results.

**Conclusions:** Report only those conclusions of the study that are directly supported by the evidence, along with any implications for clinical practice. Avoid speculation and overgeneralization. Equal emphasis should be given to positive and negative findings of equal scientific merit. If research is in progress, state methodological or conceptual problem that is being posed.

**Note:** For brevity, parts of the abstract should be written in phrases rather than complete sentences. (eg, "Design: Double-blind randomized trial," rather than "Design: The study was conducted as a double-blind, randomized trial.")

#### Abstract Format for Preconference Workshops, Workshops & Forums

**Objectives** of the session

**Content** of the session

**Method** of and extent of audience participation

**Prerequisite Knowledge**, if any, is required

**If the submission is a preconference workshop**, a proposal must also be submitted with the following information:

**Audience** – Describe your audience, who and how many you expect to attend, and basis to this estimate.

**Rationale** – What is the proposed content area and why is it important to members of NAPCRG?

**Schedule** – Describe the schedule, including the time frame, content of each section, and method of evaluation.

**Why a Preconference?** – Explain why this program should be presented as a preconference workshop rather than taking place within the normal meeting format (ie, workshops and forum).

**Endorsement** – Preconference workshops must be endorsed by the chair of a NAPCRG Special Interest Group or Committee if the workshop topic relates to an existing SIG or committee. This is intended to facilitate communication and awareness of members and groups working on activities of common interest.

# Recognition for Presentations

## Distinguished Papers

Intended to highlight excellence in research, distinguished papers are selected by the Review Subcommittee from submissions that include a full paper. Several selection factors are considered, including overall excellence, quality of research methods, quality of the writing, relevance to primary care clinical research, and overall impact of the research on primary care and/or clinical practice. Distinguished papers are given 20 minutes for presentation and 10 minutes for questions.

## Extended Papers

To allow more time for in-depth lecture and discussion, the Review Subcommittee will select three to six papers for these presentations from submissions that include a full paper. Extended papers are given 20 minutes for presentation and 10 minutes for questions.

**Reviewers wanted:** If you're interested in serving as a reviewer for NAPCRG 2009, email us at [jjones@stfm.org](mailto:jjones@stfm.org).



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