



CANADIAN SOCIETY OF  
HAND THERAPISTS

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The Canadian Society of Hand Therapists (CSHT) invites you to share your innovative clinical practice inquiries and/or the results of your research on hand and upper extremity related topics at the 14th Annual CSHT meeting. We welcome abstract submissions that are either **scientific** or **clinical**. All submissions will be peer reviewed and accepted abstracts are published in the CSHT newsletter – *In Hand*. Please note that the CSHT allows abstracts that were previously submitted to other meetings. You may submit as many abstracts as you wish.

**Scientific** submissions may include systematic reviews, scoping reviews, and original research using quantitative, qualitative or mixed methods.

**Clinical** submissions may include case studies, descriptions of new or newly adapted orthoses designs or other treatment strategies, or descriptions of clinical treatment programs.

This year, our scientific session will have 3 elements:

- The top-rated abstracts will be presented as podium sessions (7 minutes) during the scientific session on April 26th
- All other accepted abstracts will be presented as an electronic poster. The electronic posters can consist of up to 5 powerpoint slides (no narration) intended to be auto-played on the main screen during break and lunch periods on both April 26 & 27.
- The presenting author for the electronic poster will also have the opportunity to present a single slide representing the key message of their work (maximum 1 minute) at a rapid-fire session during the scientific meeting.

The presenting author must register for April 26<sup>th</sup> (the day of the scientific sessions). Registration for the CSHT Conference is available on the CSHT website.

Please note, if the presenting author is a student, he/she/they qualify for the discounted student rate (conference presenter) for either one- or two-day registration. For those presenters who do not qualify for the student rate please, note **early-bird conference registration closes March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2024.**

### ***Format of Abstract Submission***

#### **PLEASE ADHERE TO THE FOLLOWING FORMAT:**

- **Use Word format**
- **Abstract submissions should be a maximum of 500 words with no figures, tables or photographs**
- **All submissions must include the following information:**
  - **Name/email address of presenter (blinded for the review process)**
  - **Name(s) of co-author(s) (blinded for the review process)**
  - **Title of presentation**
  - **Clearly state if the abstract is a *Clinical OR Scientific* submission**

#### **SUGGESTED ABSTRACT STRUCTURE: \***

- Study design
- Introduction
- Purpose of the Study
- Methods
- Results
- Discussion
- Conclusions
- Keywords

\* Please note the above headings are a suggested structure only, and not meant to be prescriptive. We welcome presentations which may not fit into this format.

Once the review process is completed and your abstract is accepted, you will receive confirmation via email and further instructions regarding the formatting for your poster &/or presentation. A brief biographical statement and photo will also be required.

**Please email your abstracts to: [packhamt@mcmaster.ca](mailto:packhamt@mcmaster.ca)**

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**Deadline for abstract submission: Feb. 2, 2024**

**Notification of abstracts accepted: Mar. 1, 2024**