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Join us at the Coast Coal Harbour Hotel in downtown Vancouver, where the Canadian Association of Nurses in HIV/AIDS Care (CANAC) will hold its 26th annual conference. This year's conference program will focus on the unique role of nurses and other health care providers in times of crisis. The program will include presentations on the role of advocacy, policy development and supporting our communities in times of unrest. While HIV care and treatment has advanced significantly over the years, prevention strategies such as PrEP are still not widely accessible and the current opioid crisis has had a devastating effect on people who use substances.

The Conference Planning Committee invites abstracts or workshops focusing on provision of care, advocacy and policy making in times of crisis. Nurses, allied Health Professionals, researchers, policy makers and anyone who supports change in the community are welcome to submit abstracts that align with the theme of the conference. We hope to engage attendees in rich discussions that will allow for ideas to flourish, knowledge to be shared and for new directions to emerge.

Oral presentations will be 30 minutes in length including time for questions. Do you have an idea for a workshop? A workshop consists of a 1.5 hour breakout session. You would have the entire time slot to present your issue in depth. This might include an educational tool or curriculum or maybe a topic where you'd like to engage the audience in more involved discussions or

feedback. Poster presentations are welcomed and we will have an area to view them throughout the conference.

The abstract and workshop deadline is January 30, 2018. Abstracts can be submitted in either English or French, however due to the high costs of on-site conference translation and low user uptake all presentations must be conducted in English.

Notification concerning the acceptance of abstracts/workshops will be provided to the corresponding author by February 15th, 2018. Confirmation of intention to present by one or more authors will be requested prior to March 1st. All those who have been accepted for presentation will be required to register for the conference as soon as possible after notification. Presenters are responsible for arranging conference registration, accommodation and travel.

We have a room block at the Coast Coal Harbour, with a discounted nightly room rate of 169.00. Room bookings can be accessed at: https://aws.passkey.com/e/49068097 The room block will be available for booking until March 5, 2018. After this date, the room rate will be significantly higher, so please reserve your room prior to this deadline.

Mark your calendar for this exciting event, and visit CANAC's website regularly for ongoing information. <u>www.canac.org</u>

Instructions for Submissions

COVER PAGE

The cover page should contain the title of the abstract/workshop and the names of the authors, including their positions and credentials. Please include the name, address, fax number, phone number and e-mail address for the *corresponding author* who is to be contacted concerning the submission. If it is an abstract, please Indicate if it is being submitted for consideration for oral or poster presentation.

ABSTRACT/WORKSHOP

All abstracts/workshop outlines should be limited to 250 words and be typed single spaced on an $8\,1/2\,x\,11$ page. Only the title of the abstract/workshop should be included, all other identifying information should appear on the cover page. The abstract/workshop outline should include a clear and concise outline of the objectives and content of the presentation.

SCHEDULE

All oral abstract presentations will be 30 minutes in length, including time for questions. Posters will be available for viewing throughout the conference and poster presentation sessions will be scheduled. All workshops will be 1.5 hours in length.

All submissions need to be sent <u>electronically</u> by January 30, 2018 to:

canac2018@gmail.com