

- Diagnostic Tools
- Education
- Emerging Pathogens
- Infections in Immunocompromised Host
- Novel Technologies*
- Outbreak Investigation
- Pediatrics
- Program Evaluation
- Quality/Process Improvement/Adverse Events
- Site Specific Infections
- Surveillance
- Other

*Abstracts must present scientific research and not direct promotion of a specific product(s).

E. Preferred method of Presentation if abstract selected (choose one only)

- Poster
- Oral presentation
- No preference

F. Guidelines for Abstract Selection

Abstracts not meeting the stipulations outlined under both A (Content) and B (Format) above will not be considered for acceptance.

Submission of Abstracts

1. Abstracts must be submitted on-line using the template provided. Make sure all sections are completed.

Link to Abstracts Submission page via www.chica.org or www.aipi.qc.ca
2. Abstracts must be submitted by close of business (8:00 pm Eastern Standard Time), March 14, 2008.
3. Abstracts will be reproduced and submitted for inclusion in the pre-conference issue of the *Canadian Journal of Infection Control*. Abstracts will be posted to the 2008 Conference page of www.chica.org and www.aipi.qc.ca prior to the conference.
4. Presenters must be registered at the conference but do not have to register prior to submitting abstract.

5. Instruction for on-line submissions will be available at the abstracts site. Information to be included is:
 - Full name, professional mailing address, telephone and email address of the author who will present the paper.
 - Preference: Oral Presentation, Poster Presentation, or No Preference
 - Indication if the presenter is a First Time Abstract Submitter.
 - Indication if the authors are interested in authoring an article for publication in the *Canadian Journal of Infection Control*.

Awards

1. The Abstracts Committee will determine:

Six (6) of the best abstracts for which the presenting author will receive a waived registration to the conference (PreConference and Conference only; not Novice Practitioner, or Advanced Practitioner Day.) (Award recipient must be a member of CHICA-Canada or AIPI.)

2. The Abstracts Committee will determine:

One (1) of the abstracts submitted by a First Time Abstract Submitter to receive an award of \$250.00 at the Closing Ceremonies. (Award recipient must be a member of CHICA-Canada or AIPI.)

3. Conference attendees will vote for:

The Best Oral Presentation and the Best Poster Presentation. The two Best Oral Presentations will each receive an award of \$500 sponsored by Les entreprises Solumed. The two Best Poster Presentations will each receive an award of \$250 sponsored by the conference. The awards will be presented at the Closing Ceremonies. (Award recipient must be a member of CHICA-Canada or AIPI.)

Presentation Handouts

Printed handouts will not be distributed at the conference.

Speakers have been asked to provide their handouts in a format that is easily downloaded, prior to the conference. These will be posted to www.chica.org and www.aipi.qc.ca. Please check the websites regularly to download handouts of interest. Business Centres are available at the Palais des Congrès and the Hyatt Regency Montreal. Please contact these centres for their printing rates.