



## 2016 Annual Conference

May 29-31<sup>st</sup>, 2016 | Whistler, British Columbia

# Call for Presenters!

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**Deadline: January 15, 2016**

**Early Bird Deadline: December 1, 2015\***

\* Participants who respond to the RFP on or before December 1, 2015 and are selected as a workshop speaker are eligible to a 15% discount on their Annual Conference delegate fees.

### About the Conference

The BC Care Providers Association (BCCPA) Annual Conference is being held on May 29-31<sup>st</sup>, 2016 at the Fairmont Chateau in Whistler, British Columbia. Our 2015 conference was a great success with over 480 delegates attending the event including key healthcare experts such as former Premier of Prince Edward Island (PEI) Robert Ghiz and Dr. Samir Sinha, Director of geriatrics at Mount Sinai and the UHN hospital. This is a must attend event for the continuing care sector and its stakeholders!

For the 2016 conference, there will be several streams of workshop topics including: Residential Care; Workplace Health and Safety; and a mixed option (including Home Care, Assisted Living and Faith-Based Care). The overall theme for the conference is '*Ensuring Excellence: Building a Stronger Continuing Care Sector*'.

### Proposals

We invite you to submit an abstract of what you propose to share with conference attendees. Workshops are allotted 45 - 60 minutes presentation times. You may submit more than one proposal and presentations may take the form of a panel discussion or workshop session. Other formats will also be considered. If possible, please outline how your presentation will attempt to interact with workshop attendees.

BCCPA and non-BCCPA members are eligible to submit a proposal. Kindly note, **speakers must register for the conference at their own expense.**

### Submission Process

Please prepare a proposal that includes the following information:

- Presentation title;
- Your name, position and organization;
- Your contact information (phone number, email address and mailing address);
- Speaker bios (150 words) and link to website, if available;
- A digital photo of yourself for use in the printed program;

- Abstract of the presentation to be used in conference agenda (300 to 500 words);
- Stream or streams (residential care; workplace health and safety or mixed option, which can include topics from home care, assisted living and faith-based care); and
- A/V requirements.

Please submit your proposal by no later than **January 15, 2016** to Michael Kary, Director of Policy & Research, at [michael@bccare.ca](mailto:michael@bccare.ca). **Please note that any submissions made on or prior to December 1, 2015 will be eligible to receive a reduced registration fee.**

**Note: All presenters must be registered through our online system no later than 30 days after being notified of being approved as a speaker. Not registering within 30 days may result in the presenter being removed from the conference program.**

### **Additional Information**

Prior to your workshop session speakers will be requested to provide their presentation in a PC compatible format on a USB stick. For presenters using PowerPoint, please ensure that your slides are not too text heavy.

If you wish to provide handouts, you are responsible for providing copies and distributing them.

**Along with registration expenses, presenters are responsible for their own travel and lodging. They will also have access to discounted conference rates at the Fairmont Whistler.**

Our intention is to post presenters' materials on our website after the conference.

Registration details will also be posted on our [website](#).

### **Questions**

Please direct any questions to Michael Kary at 604.736.4233 ext. 228 or [michael@bccare.ca](mailto:michael@bccare.ca)