

## **TED GILES CLINICAL VIGNETTES – CALL FOR ABSTRACTS CSIM ANNUAL MEETING 2019**

**Definition:** A clinical vignette is a concise presentation of a unique, unusual or complex clinical problem in the management of which the trainee has played an active role. It should summarize the admission complaint or symptoms, relevant history, physical and laboratory findings, tentative diagnosis, diagnostic investigation, treatment and outcome.

The Canadian Society of Internal Medicine (CSIM) invites you to submit abstracts to the **Ted Giles Clinical Vignettes Session** to be held during the CSIM Annual Meeting October 14-17, 2020 at the *Centre des Congrès de Québec* in Quebec City.

This competition is open to residents enrolled in a postgraduate residency training program in Internal Medicine (IM) or General Internal Medicine (GIM) within Canada at the time of submission and at the time of the meeting (PGY1 to PGY5 at the time of submission). The applicant must also be a CSIM Resident Associate.

The competition is also open to students currently enrolled in a faculty of medicine within Canada. The applicant must also be a CSIM Student Associate.

**If you are not currently a CSIM Associate, you must complete [your application to join the CSIM](#) BY May 29, 2020** (delays in submitting your membership application will cause your submission to be rejected by the abstract system.)

### **INSTRUCTIONS**

1. Abstracts must present a clear, concise summary of the work. Abstract topics must be IM- or GIM-related. Do not include introductions, historical data, literature reviews, bibliographies or mention corporate support. Abstracts should be no more than 350 words (*excluding learning objectives*) and must be submitted in English.
2. Applicants must provide a one-sentence description of how this case is unique and 1-2 learning objectives. A learning objective states what a participant will be able to do or do better as a result of attending the presentation. Objectives are action-oriented and are to begin with verbs such as recognize, assess, diagnose, treat, distinguish, manage, etc. [Click here for information on developing learning objectives.](#)
3. A project may only be submitted once by any one of the project authors. Co-applicants are not accepted. Only one individual may present the presentation and the Q&A. The person submitting the abstract **MUST** also be the presenter and is to complete the [abstract submission form](#). Abstracts will **NOT** be accepted via email attachment.
4. The title of your submission should **NOT** reveal the diagnosis. The abstract, and, if selected, the poster or oral presentation should be structured so that the final diagnosis (including any diagnoses noted in the learning objectives) is **not** disclosed until the point in the case presentation at which the diagnosis was actually made.
5. Images/graphs are not to be included (if selected for presentation, you may include these in your presentation or poster; however, these must be fully anonymized). Abstracts should be no more than 350 words and must be submitted in English. In the title/body of your abstract submission, do not refer to city, province, hospital, co-authors, references, etc.
6. Abstracts must not include any identifying patient information. Copies of original investigations presented in slides/posters (pathology slides, radiographs, echos etc.) must also be anonymized. Prior to submitting your abstract, please review the [CSIM Guidelines for Anonymizing Abstracts](#).

7. Only the name/city/university of the presenter will be included in the meeting program. The winners of the competition will be announced through the CSIM website, newsletter, and social media. All correspondence regarding the submission will be sent only to the submitter.
8. Individuals may submit up to two abstracts across both CSIM abstract competitions (Research/QI and Ted Giles Clinical); however, only one oral may be presented and only one poster may be presented across both competitions.
9. The way the abstract is submitted is how it will be reviewed. Grammar, spelling, etc. will not be checked nor edited prior to review; however, identifying information (such as city, province, hospital, etc.) will be removed to blind your abstract. Once an abstract is submitted, revisions to the text cannot be made.
10. Submitters **must** complete the [Conflict Disclosure form](#). Abstracts will NOT be accepted if this form has not been completed. All co-authors of abstracts selected for presentation are also required to complete the disclosure form.
11. For abstracts accepted for poster display, a list outlining all the conflicts, or lack thereof, of co-authors must be pinned up beside the poster. [Click here to view a template](#).
12. Abstracts will be rated according to content, clarity of presentation as well as pertinence of the learning objectives for the target audience. The review panel will determine whether a selected abstract is displayed as a non-judged poster, or presented as a judged oral vignette. Applicants will be notified mid-summer.
13. Medical students must provide a letter from their supervisor or program administrator confirming the applicant is a student and at what level. This letter can be e-mailed directly to [info@csim.ca](mailto:info@csim.ca).
14. All oral or poster presenters must register for the CSIM meeting for at least the date of their presentation/poster display at the posted registration rates. The CSIM does not assume any costs of attending this meeting. The oral sessions are tentatively scheduled for Friday, October 16, 2020. Presentations will be strictly timed; going overtime may affect your score.
15. Abstracts submitted to or presented at other national and international meetings may be submitted. However, abstracts are not eligible for submission if the work has been published as a full paper in a peer-reviewed journal prior to the submission deadline of June 22, 2020.
16. In recognition of the importance of the training of internists to the future of medicine in Canada, the winners will be awarded a prize. The first place oral winner will be awarded a \$300 cash prize; \$200 for second place and \$100 for third place.
17. Selected abstracts must be presented and any awards (if applicable) must be accepted in the year they are won and cannot be brought forward to future years.

[Click here to submit your abstract](#)

**DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSIONS: JUNE 22, 2020 by 11:59PM Pacific Time**

*The abstract submission system will shut down on June 22, 2020 at midnight, Pacific Time.*

#### NOTES

- Confirmation of submission receipts are system generated. If you do not receive your confirmation immediately, please check your junk folder. Contact the CSIM Office if you do not immediately receive a receipt of confirmation following submission. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure the abstract was properly submitted by the deadline.
- Late or missing submissions will not be accepted; the CSIM assumes no responsibility for lost or unreceived abstracts due to any reason including technical issues.
- Failure to comply with the application process and the terms of reference and/or submitting incomplete applications may result in rejected applications.