# CALL FOR SPEAKERS

Canadian Down Syndrome Conference Friday, May 18 to Sunday May 20, 2018 Hamilton, Ontario

The Canadian Down Syndrome Society (CDSS) is seeking accomplished speakers to share their knowledge, experience and skills at the Canadian Down Syndrome Conference in Hamilton, Ontario. Delegates attending the conference will include people with Down syndrome, parents and family members, professionals, and people who want to make a difference in the community. Session speakers who are selected will be responsible for securing their own travel arrangements at their own expense. Honoraria or speaker fees are not available. This allows CDSS to keep registration fees affordable.

Sessions will take place over Saturday, May 19 and Sunday, May 20 and are a maximum 90 minutes in length. Session Information:

Session Title:

Session Description: Limit 250 words. We may request an outline of your session

#### Session Details:

Session Target Audience (write 'yes' beside all that apply)		Topic Category (write 'yes' beside all that apply)	
Parents		Birth to 5 years	
Professionals		School age	
Self-Advocates		Teens	
Other		Adults and aging	

# Session Objectives:

Please list two objectives of your session:

1.
2.

# Audio/Visual Notes:

All session rooms will be equipped with a laptop, projector, and microphone in large rooms. Speakers are required to bring their presentations on a flash drive and they must be Microsoft compatible. **Important Note: It is cost-prohibitive to provide internet connections in meeting rooms. Please plan accordingly.** 

# **Speaker Information**

Name(s):		
Organization:		
Professional Title:		
Credentials:		
Phone:		
Email:		
Website:		
Short biography (one paragraph): Limit 150 words		

#### Contact Information: (if different from above)

Name: Same as above
Organization:
Mailing Address:
Phone:
Email:

#### Speaker Availability Details

We assume you are available to present your session on Saturday, May 19 and/or Sunday, May 20. Your flexibility allows us to schedule the most balanced program addressing the needs of our attendees. If you are unable to do so, please let us know when you submit your proposal.

# **Deadline for Submission**

All proposals must be received no later than Friday January 19, 2018 for full consideration of the Speaker Selection Committee. You will get an email confirmation usually within 1 to 2 business days of receipt. CDSS receives more proposals than can be accommodated. Due to space and balance in programming, proposals are not guaranteed and are subject to approval.

#### Successful candidates will be contacted by February 14, 2018.

# Please note; if you are not contacted by the above date, your submission was unsuccessful, CDSS thanks you for your interest.

Please submit your proposal via email to: Carlee Reardon Resource Coordinator, Canadian Down Syndrome Society carleer@cdss.ca 1-800-883-5608