

Tenth Annual Developmental Disabilities Research Day

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

Thursday, November 5, 2026

Spencer Hotel and Conference Centre, London, Ontario

The Planning Committee for the Developmental Disabilities Research Day is pleased to invite you to submit a research abstract for presentation at the Tenth Annual Developmental Disabilities Research Day, to take place on Thursday, November 5, 2026, at the Spencer Hotel and Conference Centre in London.

Trainees and junior faculty members will be given priority for presentations. Abstracts should be double-spaced, no more than 300 words in length, and typed in a minimum 12-point font. Abstracts should be submitted electronically as a Microsoft Word document or PDF to Jason Widdes at jason.widdes@sjhc.london.on.ca.

Abstracts should clearly summarize the study using the following headings: **Background, Study Objectives, Methods, Results (or anticipated results for studies in progress), and Conclusions**. We will consider submissions for studies currently in progress, with preference given to completed projects. Please acknowledge sources of funding, as appropriate.

Submissions should also indicate whether an oral presentation, a poster presentation, or either format is preferred. Although we will try to accommodate presenter preferences, presentation format will ultimately be determined by the Planning Committee based on space and scheduling considerations.

An award of \$500 will be given to the best presentation by a trainee.

The deadline for submissions is *October 1, 2026*

Please submit abstracts to jason.widdes@sjhc.london.on.ca