



The Realities of eHealth

April 28 – 30, 2010 An International Conference Addressing Health Informatics Education and Research
School of Pharmacy | University of Waterloo | Kitchener, Ontario, Canada National Institutes of Health Informatics

National Institutes of Health Informatics presents the
Advances in Health Informatics Conference (AHIC 2010)

April 28-30, 2010
University of Waterloo
School of Pharmacy, Health Sciences Campus
10 Victoria Street South
Kitchener, Ontario
Canada

INVITATION



Dr. Nicola (Nikki) Shaw invites you, on behalf of the AHIC 2010 Scientific Program Committee, to submit your paper to this innovative, peer-reviewed Health Informatics conference focusing on both research and education.

The conference will feature exciting keynote speakers and presentations from across Canada and international locations.

Health informatics applied research, practice, educational programs across Canada, and new developments in evidence-based policy development and implementation will provide the mainstream of information participants can expect to delve into.

This conference, held every second year, will be an excellent opportunity to take a closer look at Health Informatics in Canada and to interact with colleagues from all over the world. On behalf of the National Institutes of Health Informatics and the Scientific Program Committee, we hope to see you in Kitchener, Ontario, on April 28-30, 2010.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION: 11 January 2010
12 Midnight Mountain Standard Time (MST)

Link to submit: <http://www.easychair.org/conferences/?conf=ahic2010>



Canada's 1st Advances in Health Informatics Conference

CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS

The Scientific Program Committee (SPC) invites submissions of full papers on Health Informatics research, education, practice, or policy development/implementation. In addition to in-person conference attendance, AHIC is offering a 'green conference.' This will allow participants to attend through electronic communication means such as videoconference, web conference, or teleconference. Virtual attendance may be in whole or in part.

THEMES

AHIC 2010 submissions will be categorized as either foundational contributions of novel informatics concepts, methods, and tools, or the application and evaluation of informatics within the practical, day-to-day health care practice and education.

To assist attendees in identifying sessions in which they are most interested, the Scientific Program Committee will organize the accepted submissions into these category themes:

1. Progress in Health Informatics in foundational and applied research.
2. Advances in Health Informatics education.
3. New developments in evidence-based eHealth policy development and implementation or healthcare practice.

Theme words: (practice, research & education)

- clinical research informatics
- health informatics theory and methods
- medical imaging and PACS
- telehealth
- eHealth
- terminology and standards
- patient and citizen engagement
- workflow and human factors (clinical, administrative, organizational)
- decision support, outcomes, and patient safety
- people and organizational issues
- knowledge transfer
- curriculum and program design implementation
- evidence-based policy development
- policy and ethical issues

- policy implementation
- partnerships in innovation
- working with industry
- other topics

CATEGORIES OF SUBMISSION

Submissions must include a discussion of results or outcome data. The types of submissions considered for AHIC 2010 and general requirements for each are as follows. All submissions must conform to the format and presentation requirements described herein. Submissions not conforming to these specifications will not be considered. Papers must be the author's original work, be well organized and clearly articulate the ideas and methodology (or be appropriately referenced). Include relevant tables, graphs, or illustrations to document outcomes and impacts.

Content will generally be organized in the following order:

- Abstract
- Keywords
- Introduction
- Methods
- Results
- Discussion
- Conclusion
- Acknowledgments
- References
- Address for correspondence

An example/template can be downloaded from this website:

<http://ahic.nihi.ca/ahic/docs/AHIC%202010%20Template%20for%20Submissions.doc>

PAPERS

Type 1 – Long paper (6 pages)

The SPC requests papers highlighting progress in foundational and applied health informatics research, practice, and education with a focus on outcomes/results using either qualitative or quantitative methods. This paper is evaluation oriented.

- Authors of accepted papers will present at the conference, with a 15 minute presentation time and participate in a 5-minute question and answer period.
- An individual may be a first author of only one paper submitted for consideration. Submission must not be in press or under consideration for presentation or publication elsewhere. All authors must sign the Permission to Publish form prior to publication.
- Paper submissions must not exceed a maximum of six (8.5 x 11 inch) pages and must include:
 - An abstract of 125–150 words
 - Keywords (up to six)
 - The names, academic degree(s), affiliations, and locations (city, province, and country, if international) of all authors

- A short biography of 100 words

Type 2 – Short paper (3 pages)

The SPC requests papers highlighting progress in foundational and applied health informatics research, practice, and education, with a focus on data on outcomes, including subjective impacts (any outcomes, not just patient outcomes).

- Authors of accepted papers will present at the conference, with a 5-minute presentation time and participate in a 5-minute question and answer period. We recommend one slide per minute; five slides maximum. (Times will be strictly enforced).
- An individual may be a first author of only one paper submitted for consideration. Submission must not be in press or under consideration for presentation or publication elsewhere. All authors must sign the Permission to Publish form prior to publication.
- Paper submissions must not exceed a maximum of three (8.5 x 11 inch) pages and must include:
 - An abstract of 125–150 words
 - The names, academic degree(s), affiliations, and locations (city, province, and country, if international) of all authors
 - A short biography of 100 words

Student Paper

AHIC is providing a special opportunity for students to present at this conference.

The SPC invites students to submit papers that describe complete or nearly complete research or development efforts in informatics. All designated student papers must follow paper format requirements and will be reviewed through the SPCs' standard review process, along with all other submitted papers. An individual may be a first author of only one paper submitted for consideration. Submission must not be in press or under consideration for presentation or publication elsewhere. All authors must sign the Permission to Publish form prior to publication. Student papers that are accepted by the SPC will be presented in a regular paper session and included in the Conference Proceedings. Students will be assigned a mentor to guide them through the revision of their paper(s) for final submission.



The [Electronic Journal of Health Informatics \(eJHI\)](#) will run a special issue for the best papers from the AHIC 2010 conference; guest-edited by Dr. Nicola Shaw.

PERMISSION TO PUBLISH

Please complete this form so that your paper can be published in the Conference Proceedings. (http://ahic.nihi.ca/ahic/docs/AHIC_2010_Permission_to_Publish.doc). Should your paper be chosen to submit to a journal, it will be necessary to complete a Copyright Transfer Form. This will be supplied to you upon notification.

SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM

The Advances in Health Informatics Conference 2010 will focus on “*The Realities of eHealth*,” and will focus on applied research, practice, education, and new developments in evidence-based policy development and implementation.

Speakers will be videotaped and will present to our virtual audience via an online video and web conferencing system. There will be an opportunity to attend virtually for this event. Videotaped sessions will be available also for purchase after the event.

Program Schedule

Wednesday, April 28, 2010, 6:30 PM - 9:00 PM EST

Thursday, April 29, 2010, 8AM – 4:30 PM EST

Friday, April 30, 2010, 9AM – 4:00 PM EST

SUBMISSION DATES

Submission deadline - extension: 11 January 2010 - 12 Midnight MST

Notification to Authors: 31 January 2010

Submission of final camera-ready conference copy deadline: 28 February 2010

FORMATTING INSTRUCTIONS TO AUTHORS

Your submission must meet the following requirements:

- Papers must be saved as .pdf.
- File size must be less than 5MB.
- Papers received after the deadline of 12 Midnight, Mountain Standard Time (MST), on the date shown on the submission date schedule, will not be considered.
- Unedited papers will be disqualified.
- *Paper size:* 8.5" x 11" with one inch margins; left, right, top, and bottom.
- *Title:* 14 point Times New Roman font, single column, bold, centred, upper and lower case using initial capitals for each word in the title other than articles and prepositions
- *Names, credentials, institutions and locations of the author(s) or panelists* should be placed below the title; exactly as they are to appear in the outline and print programs and proceedings, 12 point Times New Roman font, single-column, bold centred, upper and lower case using appropriate capitals.
- *Main text:* single-spaced in 10 point Times New Roman font, justified, two column format with 0.5 inch between columns.
- Do not number individual pages.

- Disable track changes in word processing software.
- The format of credentials and other author information appearing in the online and printed materials is subject to revision by the SPC. It is the responsibility of the first author to provide full and accurate information about all authors named.
- Reference format: Cite all references in the text, tables, or figure legends. In the text, use 8 point superscript if possible to indicate reference numbers; if not possible, use 10 point numbers in square brackets. Under a heading “References” at the end of the submission provide a list of references cited, in order of occurrence in the manuscript, and with titles using initial capital only. List all authors of any cited work when there are six or fewer authors; if more than six, list only the first three followed by “et al.” Follow the Vancouver Style.
- File naming protocol: LASTNAME_FIRSTNAME.doc

Click here for a pre-formatted document (.doc):

<http://ahic.nihi.ca/ahic/docs/AHIC%202010%20Template%20for%20Submissions.doc>

PAPER REVIEW

Your paper’s review will include the following:

- Reviewer Comments to Author.
 - Strengths & Weaknesses.
 - Suggestion for improvements, changes/revisions.
- Indication of the themes published in the Call for Papers where your paper fits.
- Your paper rating on a Likert scale and answer the question:
“To what extent does the paper meet these criteria?”
 - Overall originality, must be original work.
 - Methodological originality, or properly cited.
 - Completeness of discussion, includes relevant sections.
 - Appropriate reference to work of others.
 - Organization of paper.
 - Clarity in writing, tables, graphs, illustrations (good English, style, clearly articulated ideas, captions).
 - Documentation of effects/outcomes/impacts.

SUBMISSION PROCESS

Submissions shall be made through registering as an Author with EasyChair.org with your paper as an attachment at:

<http://www.easychair.org/conferences/?conf=ahic2010>

All received papers will be acknowledged. Your submission must be received before the deadline and meet the requirements stated in order to be considered.

AHIC 2010 Official Website

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