**Call for Abstract**

 Submission Deadline March 12, 2018 @ 11:59pm

Dear trainees,

We are pleased to invite you to participate in the University of Toronto Spine Program SpineFEST Day being held in Toronto on June 11, 2018. Professor Sanford Emery, MD, MBA from West Virginia University, Professor and Chair, Department of Orthopaedics, and Director of Surgical Services will be our esteemed keynote speaker. Program of the day will be finalized in the coming weeks. Spine **Fundamental research (basic science, biomechanical, bioengineering, and imaging) and spine clinical research are both areas of interest.**

**Submission Guidelines:**

* Submission must be by the first author;
* Multiple abstracts are accepted;
* Confirmation of receipt of abstract will be sent via email to the person listed as the; main author. Please ensure email address is accurate;
* Form for Abstract Submission (below) must be completed and submitted via email in Word file to Nadia Jaber at uoft.spine@utoronto.ca no later than Mar 12, 2018 at 11:59pm. Please submit under subject line “SpineFEST 2018- Abstract Submission”;
* Abstract must be typed in no more than **250 words** and written under headings as listed in the form with purpose, methods, results, and conclusions;
* No graphs, tables or photographs should be included;
* All authors and affiliations must be listed on the abstract and are not included in the word count;

**Reviewing Process and Awards:**

* All abstracts will be reviewed by faculty from the University of Toronto Spine Program Council;
* Reviewing and rating will be based on CIHR criteria and rating Scale;
* Winners of first place and second place abstract award will be notified to provide oral presentation at SpineFEST podium on June 11th. Submitters of approved abstracts will present their work at the e-poster presentation session. Best e-poster presentations announcement and award presentation will be the end of the SpineFEST day.
* Results of submission will be sent to the submitter (first author) by the first week of April with full program agenda and instructions on oral presentations and e-poster presentations.

**Thank you and GOOD LUCK!**

University of Toronto Spine Program

*See Form Below >>>*

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**ABSTRACT**

**Title:**

**Authors and Affiliations:**

**Purpose:**

**Method:**

**Results:**

**Conclusions:**