

## April 25-27, 2024 The Westin Calgary, Calgary, AB Annual Scientific Meeting – Schedule of Unaccredited Events

## Thursday, April 25, 2024

Time	Event	Location
12:00 - 13:00	Perioperative Geriatrics SIG Annual Meeting	Barclay
17:00 – 19:00	Exhibitor and Delegate Welcome Reception	Grand Foyer

## Friday, April 26, 2024

Time	Event	Location
07:00 - 08:00	Breakfast and Exhibits	Grand Foyer
07:00 - 08:00	Industry Symposium – GSK  Healthy Aging and Immunization  Speaker: Cheryl Sadowski, B.SC.(PHARM), PHARM.D., BCGP, FCSHP, CHE  Professor, University of Alberta, Faculty of Pharmacy & Pharmaceutical  Sciences, Edmonton, AB  Immunization of older adults faces unique challenges that have proven a  barrier to increasing adult vaccination awareness and protection from  vaccine preventable disease. Join this symposium to gain a deeper  understanding of the importance of life-course immunization in the context  of healthy aging and the value of adult immunization beyond preventing a  specific disease.	Lakeview/Mount Royal/Rideau
	<ul> <li>At the end of this session, participants will be able to:</li> <li>explain the role of age-related decline in immunity in older adults' increased risk of vaccine preventable diseases;</li> <li>explore the role vaccination plays in overall wellness and discuss recent data on immunization as it applies to healthy aging;</li> <li>discuss burden of disease and potential outcomes and complications of viral infections, including influenza, respiratory syncytial virus (RSV), COVID-19 and herpes zoster in the older adult population; and</li> <li>describe current technologies (e.g. adjuvants) and strategies to improve immune response in older adults.</li> </ul>	

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07:00 – 07:45	Primary Care SIG Annual Meeting Chairs: Robert Lam and Jean Triscott Speaker: Chang Won Won  South Korea currently has the fastest aging population of any country in the world and will soon be the oldest. Please welcome Dr. Chang Won Won, geriatrician and full professor of family medicine from the Kyung Hee University, South Korea, as he speaks on, "Geriatrics in South Korea: What is Special?"	Eau Claire North/South
07:00 - 07:45	Deprescribing and Medical Optimization SIG Annual Meeting	Lake Louise
09:45 – 10:15	Networking Break & Exhibits	Grand Foyer
11:30 - 12:40	Lunch and Exhibits	Grand Foyer
11:30 – 12:30	Industry Symposium – Pfizer  What Kills? Respiratory Infection Treatment and Vaccination in Geriatrics Speaker: Stephen D. Vaughan, MD DTM&H CTropMed FRCPC Program Director   Adult Infectious Diseases Residency Program Associate Professor, Clinical   Infectious Diseases and Tropical Medicine Consultant Alberta Health Services – Calgary Zone and Cumming School of Medicine, University of Calgary  This session will put a spotlight on the current state of respiratory infectious disease in Canada, with an emphasis on COVID-19, RSV, Influenza, and Pneumococcal disease.	Lakeview/Mount Royal/Rideau
11:45 – 12:30	Osteoporosis & Bone Health SIG Annual Meeting	Eau Claire North/South
11:45 – 12:30	Geroscience SIG Annual Meeting	Lake Louise
13:50 – 14:50 16:30 – 17:30	Poster Viewing Session  CGS Annual General Meeting (members only)	Bow Valley  Britannia/Belaire/  Mayfair
19:00	CGS Gala Dinner Tickets required in advance	The River Café 25 Prince's Island

## Saturday, April 27, 2024

Time	Event	Location
06:00 – 07:30	CGS Fun Run/Walk	Meet in hotel lobby
07:30 - 08:30	Breakfast and Exhibits	Grand Foyer
07:30 – 08:30	Industry Symposium – Sanofi	Lakeview/Mount Royal/Rideau
	Navigating the Impact of Influenza in Older Adults: Strategies for Disease Prevention  Speaker: Dr. Mary Szabo	

	<ul> <li>At the end of this session, participants will be able to:         <ul> <li>evaluate the influenza burden in older adults by examining epidemiological data and clinical risk factors for infection;</li> <li>investigate the influence of comorbidities (such as heart disease, diabetes, and respiratory conditions) on influenza outcomes among older adults;</li> <li>analyze clinical evidence pertaining to strategies for assessing influenza vaccines in older adult populations;</li> <li>review recommended vaccination approaches for preventing influenza in older adults; and</li> <li>develop strategies to effectively address vaccine hesitancy among older adults.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
07:30 – 08:15	Falls, Balance and Mobility SIG Annual Meeting	Lake Louise
07:30 - 08:15	Choosing Wisely SIG Annual Meeting	Lougheed
	Are you interested in quality improvement or patient safety? Do you routinely see adverse outcomes in your patients that you think could be better? Are there new clinical practice guidelines you feel should be developed or put in place in an effort to reduce low-value or potentially harmful practices? Do you care about global climate change, wildfires and healthcare-associated carbon footprint, and have ideas on how we as a society of geriatricians can improve? Are you already working on an initiative that you would like to be recognized by Choosing Wisely Canada? Join us for the Choosing Wisely Geriatrics meeting.	
11:00 - 11:30	Networking Break & Exhibits	Grand Foyer
12:45 – 13:45	Lunch and Exhibits	Grand Foyer
	Posters	
12:45 – 13:45	Industry Symposium – Merck  It's Time to Think Differently About Pneumococcal Disease & Vaccination: Evolving & Persistent Unmet Needs in Older Adults  Speakers: Dr. Ronald Grossman, Pulmonary Medicine Specialist & Dr. George Zhanel, Microbiologist, Director for the Canadian Antimicrobial Resistance Alliance  While pneumococcal disease incidence has decreased in children over the last decade, the burden remains unchanged and consistently high in older adults, despite advancing practices in pneumococcal disease prevention. This session will explore why we are seeing this trend in Canada, in addition to the evolution and persistence of gaps in mitigating pneumococcal disease in Canadian adults through vaccination.  At the end of this session, participants will be able to:  • understand the evolution of pneumococcal disease in Canadian older adults;	Lakeview/Mount Royal/Rideau

	<ul> <li>understand the patient populations at highest risk for pneumococcal disease;</li> <li>understand the differences between children and adults in terms of strains causing infection and severe disease manifestations; and</li> <li>understand current Canadian recommendations and remaining unmet needs in regards to mitigating pneumococcal disease in older adults through vaccination.</li> </ul>	
12:45 – 13:30	Frailty SIG Annual Meeting	Banff
12:45 – 13:30	Nutrition in Older Adults SIG Annual Meeting	Lake Louise