**44th Annual Meeting**

**November 11-13, 2017**

**Sheraton Austin Hotel at the Capitol, Austin, Texas -US**

**CALL FOR ABSTRACTS**

**Extended deadline: August 15th, 2017**

We invite you to submit abstracts for oral and/or poster presentation at the Scientific Sessions of the 44th ICBDSR Annual Meeting.

Topics may include, but are not limited to:

* Zika and birth defects
* Other emerging and well known infectious agents and birth defects
* Prenatal screening, early pregnancy/birth/postnatal outcomes
* Environmental and other preventable and unpreventable risk factors
* Lifestyle, occupational exposures and birth defects
* Medications and risk for birth defects
* Epidemiology of specific defects or groups of defects
* Birth defects surveillance and related methodological issues
* Molecular genetics/ molecular epidemiology /Epigenetics and birth defects
* Newborn screening
* Psychosocial impacts of birth defects, quality of life, education and other related issues.
* Intersection with the Rare Diseases field

**Abstract format**

The abstract should not exceed 350 words. Use a font size equivalent to Times New Roman 12-point font. The abstract header should include the title, author(s), and affiliation(s). Underline the name of the presenting author. Acronyms and abbreviations should be spelled out at first use. Please structure the abstract using the following sub-headings: Objectives, Methods, Results, Discussion and Conclusions. You are kindly asked to use the template in the next page,

**Abstract submission information**

Email your abstract in Microsoft Word format to: centre@icbdsr.orgby **August 15th, 2017.** Please name your file as: Lastname\_Initial.docand provide the following information in your email:

Name
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E-mail and Telephone
Presentation Preference: Poster or Oral presentation

**Notification**

The Annual Meeting planning committee will peer-review the abstracts and will make the final decisions regarding acceptance of abstracts and designated presentation format. You will receive an email of notification regarding acceptance of abstracts by **August 30th, 2017**

**TITLE OF THE COMMUNICATION**

Initials and surname of authors (underline the presenting author**)** *Number for affiliations*

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