



## PRELIMINARY PROGRAM GUIDE

**Canadian Life Insurance Medical Officers Association**  
**72<sup>ND</sup> ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING**

May 7 – 10, 2017  
Park Hyatt Toronto  
Toronto, Ontario

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## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT • MESSAGE DE LA PRÉSIDENTE

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

On behalf of CLIMOA, I have the distinct privilege to invite you all to Toronto for CLIMOA's 72<sup>nd</sup> Annual Meeting at the Park Hyatt Hotel from May 7 to 10, 2017. This location enables us to secure outstanding academic speakers from world-renowned institutions such as the University of Toronto and McMaster University.

Dr. Phil Smalley, our scientific chair, with the help of an experienced scientific committee, has been working on assembling an excellent program that includes traditional insurance medicine topics but also those that are relevant to the rapidly evolving and "disruptive" times in the insurance industry.

I hope you will also join us at our closing dinner on Tuesday, May 9, at Stratus Restaurant located on the 36<sup>th</sup> floor of the TD South Tower. The restaurant boasts stunning panoramas of Lake Ontario and the central business district and we will have the honour and pleasure to have one of Toronto's most talented young jazz musicians, Barbra Lica, perform for us.

As well, we have put together a day trip to the Niagara Falls region on Sunday, May 7. If you decide to register for this, you will have the opportunity to spend a day admiring the Falls and the Niagara Parkway while also touring a few of the region's best wineries.

I am looking forward to our meeting with great anticipation. It is a unique opportunity to attend a conference where presenters have tailored their knowledge to the needs of the insurance medicine audience and also to reconnect with friends and colleagues from Canada and abroad.

I hope to see you all in Toronto!

Chers amis et collègues,

Au nom de l'ACD MAV, j'ai l'immense privilège de vous inviter à Toronto pour le 72<sup>e</sup> congrès annuel de l'ACD MAV, lequel se tiendra à l'hôtel Park Hyatt du 7 au 10 mai 2017. Cet emplacement permet d'assurer la présence d'excellents conférenciers universitaires provenant d'établissements reconnus mondialement, notamment l'Université de Toronto et l'Université McMaster.

Avec l'aide d'un comité scientifique expérimenté, le Dr Phil Smalley, notre président scientifique, travaille à préparer un remarquable programme comprenant des sujets sur la médecine d'assurance ainsi que d'autres sujets liés à l'évolution rapide de l'industrie des assurances et aux temps difficiles qu'elle connaît.

J'espère que vous serez également des nôtres pour le repas de clôture, qui aura lieu le mardi 9 mai au restaurant Stratus situé au 36<sup>e</sup> étage de la TD South Tower. Ce restaurant offre d'incroyables vues sur le lac Ontario et sur le quartier central des affaires, et nous aurons l'honneur et le plaisir d'assister à une prestation de Barbra Lica, une des plus talentueuses jeunes musiciennes de jazz de Toronto.

En outre, nous avons organisé pour le dimanche 7 mai une excursion d'une journée dans la région de Niagara Falls. Si vous y participez, vous aurez l'occasion de passer une journée à admirer les chutes et la promenade Niagara, en plus de visiter certains des meilleurs établissements vinicoles de la région.

J'ai très hâte à notre congrès. Non seulement s'agit-il d'une occasion unique d'assister à des conférences adaptées aux besoins d'un auditoire issu du milieu de la médecine d'assurance, mais il s'agit aussi d'une belle occasion de retrouver amis et collègues de partout au Canada et d'ailleurs.

Au plaisir de vous voir à Toronto!



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'G. Pascutiu'.

**GEORGIANA PASCUTIU, MD, DBIM**

CLIMOA President, 2016-2017 • Présidente de l'ACD MAV, 2016-2017

## PROGRAM AT A GLANCE

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| <b>Sunday, May 7</b>     | 09:30 – 17:00 | Optional Event:<br>Niagara Falls Region Tour |                              |
|                          | 15:00 – 18:00 | Registration                                 | Queen's Park South Foyer     |
|                          | 18:00 – 19:30 | Welcome Reception                            | Mezzanine Lounge             |
| <b>Monday, May 8</b>     | 07:00 – 08:00 | Breakfast                                    | Queen's Park North / Central |
|                          | 08:00 – 08:15 | Introductory Comments                        | Queen's Park South           |
|                          | 08:15 – 12:00 | Scientific Sessions                          | Queen's Park South           |
|                          | 12:00 – 13:15 | Lunch                                        | Queen's Park North / Central |
|                          | 13:15 – 17:00 | Scientific Sessions                          | Queen's Park South           |
|                          |               | FREE EVENING                                 | EXPLORE TORONTO!             |
| <b>Tuesday, May 9</b>    | 07:30 – 08:30 | Breakfast                                    | Queen's Park North / Central |
|                          | 08:30 – 12:10 | Scientific Sessions                          | Queen's Park South           |
|                          | 12:10 – 13:10 | Lunch and CLIMOA AGM                         | Queen's Park North / Central |
|                          | 13:10 – 17:00 | Scientific Sessions                          | Queen's Park South           |
|                          | 18:30 – 22:00 | Closing Dinner                               | Stratus Restaurant, TD Tower |
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| <b>Wednesday, May 10</b> | 07:30 – 08:30 | Breakfast                                    | Queen's Park North / Central |
|                          | 08:30 – 12:00 | Scientific Sessions                          | Queen's Park South           |

*All sessions will be conducted in English.*

*The program is accurate as of March 13, 2017, and is subject to change.*

*The CLIMOA 2017 Planning Committee reserves the right to modify the information as required and without notice.*

## SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM COMMITTEE

**Dr. Phil Smalley**, RGA International - Scientific Chair  
**Dr. Bruce Boyd**, Great-West Life  
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**Dr. Tea Mamaladze**, Sun Life Financial  
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**Dr. Monica Wilson**, Swiss Re





# OVERVIEW OF THE SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM

## DAY 1 – Monday, May 8

**DAY 1 AM MODERATOR:** **Phil Smalley, MD, FRCPC**

Senior Vice President, Global Chief Medical Officer, RGA International

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| 08:00 – 08:10 | <b>CLIMOA Welcome</b>                                                                             | <b>Georgiana Pascutiu, MD, DBIM</b><br>Medical Director, RGA Canada<br>President, CLIMOA                                                                                                              |
| 08:10 – 08:20 | <b>Opening Address</b>                                                                            | <b>Alka Gautam, MBA, CPA, CA</b><br>President and Chief Executive Officer, RGA Canada                                                                                                                 |
| 08:20 – 09:20 | <b>Use of Whole Genome Sequencing in Public Health: What we know now and where is this going?</b> | <b>Brad Perkins, MD</b><br>Chief Medical Officer/Human Longevity Inc.                                                                                                                                 |
| 09:20 – 10:10 | <b>Evolving Procedures and Outcomes for Valvular and Thoracic Aortic Disease</b>                  | <b>Roy G. Masters, MD, FACS, FRCSC</b><br>Professor of Surgery/University of Ottawa Heart Institute                                                                                                   |
| 10:10 – 10:30 | <i>REFRESHMENT BREAK</i>                                                                          |                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| 10:30 – 11:20 | <b>Cancer Trends and Product Development in Asia: What Can We Learn?</b>                          | <b>Detloff Rump, MD, MBA, LLB (Hons), ANZIIF (Fellow) CIP</b><br>Chief Underwriter Asia, Director, Life & Health Products/Swiss Reinsurance Company Ltd.                                              |
| 11:20 – 12:10 | <b>Assessing Risk of Family History of Cardiomyopathy and Arrhythmias</b>                         | <b>Michael Gollob, MD</b><br>Cardiac Electrophysiologist and Inherited Arrhythmia Specialist/Toronto General Hospital;<br>University of Toronto Peter Munk Chair in Cardiovascular Molecular Medicine |
| 12:10 – 13:20 | <i>LUNCH</i>                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                       |

**DAY 1 PM MODERATOR:** **Tim Meagher, MB, FRCP(C), FACP, FRCPI**

Vice President and Medical Director/Munich Re, Canada;  
Associate Professor of Medicine, McGill University

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| 13:20 – 14:10 | <b>Alzheimer's Disease: Updates Viewed Through a Practical Lens</b>                      | <b>Dave Rengachary, MD</b><br>SVP and Chief Medical Director/US Mortality Markets, RGA Reinsurance Company                                            |
| 14:10 – 15:00 | <b>Disability Income: Historical Perspective &amp; Current Role of Medical Directors</b> | <b>Don Abbott</b> , Founder/Professional Disability Associates<br><b>Dr. Frank Bellino</b> , Chief Medical Officer/Professional Disability Associates |
| 15:00 – 15:20 | <i>REFRESHMENT BREAK</i>                                                                 |                                                                                                                                                       |
| 15:20 – 16:10 | <b>Disorders of REM Sleep</b>                                                            | <b>Lisa Papazian, MD, DBIM</b><br>AVP and Medical Director/Sun Life Financial                                                                         |
| 16:10 – 17:00 | <b>Diabetes: A New Hope? – Webcast</b>                                                   | <b>Dominic Reeds, MD</b><br>Assistant Professor of Medicine, Geriatrics and Nutritional Science/Washington University School of Medicine              |

## DAY 2 – Tuesday, May 9

**DAY 2 AM MODERATOR:** **Monica Wilson, MD**

Chief Medical Officer and Senior Vice President/Swiss Re

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| 08:00 – 08:50 | <b>What is a Heart Attack in 2017? Medical Definitions vs. Critical Illness Definitions</b> | <b>Rizwan Manji, MD, PhD, MBA</b><br>Associate Professor, Departments of Surgery and Anesthesia/University of Manitoba                                                                    |
| 08:50 – 09:40 | <b>Dark Data in Health and the Challenge of Wearable Technology</b>                         | <b>Jayson L. Parker, PhD, MBA</b><br>Associate Professor (Teaching Stream),<br>Department of Biology and Institute of Biomaterials & Biomedical Engineering (IBBME)/University of Toronto |
| 09:40 – 10:00 | <i>REFRESHMENT BREAK</i>                                                                    |                                                                                                                                                                                           |

## OVERVIEW OF THE SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM

### DAY 2 – Tuesday, May 9 (continued)

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| 10:00 – 10:50                                                                                                                                                    | <b>Modern Day Marijuana – Not Your Granny's Weed!</b><br><b>Kim Minish, MD, CCFP, FCFP</b><br>Assistant Medical Director/Great-West Life Assurance Company                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 10:50 – 11:40                                                                                                                                                    | <b>What happened to the randomized trial? How do I interpret non-inferiority, equivalence and other new trial designs?</b><br><b>Valerie Palda, MD, MSc, FRCPC</b><br>Staff Physician, Internal Medicine, St. Michael's Hospital; Associate Professor of Medicine and the Institute for Health Policy, Management and Evaluation, University of Toronto |
| 11:40 – 13:10                                                                                                                                                    | <b>LUNCH</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| <b>DAY 2 PM MODERATOR:</b> <b>François Grondin, MD, FRCPC</b><br>Medical Director, Desjardins Sécurité Financière<br>Clinical Faculty Lecturer, Université Laval |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 13:10 – 14:00                                                                                                                                                    | <b>Underwriting the Transgender Individual</b><br><b>Tim Meagher, MB, FRCP(C), FACP, FRCPI</b><br>Vice President and Medical Director/Munich Re, Canada;<br>Associate Professor of Medicine, McGill University                                                                                                                                          |
| 14:00 – 14:50                                                                                                                                                    | <b>Intracranial Aneurysms and Arteriovenous Malformations: Diagnosis, Endovascular Treatment, and Prognosis</b><br><b>Dana Iancu, MD, MSc</b><br>Neuroradiologist/The Ottawa Hospital                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 14:50 – 15:10                                                                                                                                                    | <b>REFRESHMENT BREAK</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| 15:10 – 16:00                                                                                                                                                    | <b>Cardio Vascular Epidemiology</b><br><b>Sonia Anand, MD, PhD, FRCPC</b><br>Professor, Division of Cardiology/McMaster University                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
| 16:00 – 16:50                                                                                                                                                    | <b>Pacemaker Cardiac Vignettes</b><br><b>Emoke Posan, MD, PhD</b><br>Assistant Medical Director/London Life/Great-West Life/ Canada Life                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>DAY 3 MODERATOR:</b> <b>Kim Minish, MD, CCFP, FCFP</b><br>Assistant Medical Director/Great-West Life Assurance Company                                        |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |

### DAY 3 – Wednesday, May 10

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| 08:00 – 08:50 | <b>Sleep Apnea and Cardiovascular Disease</b><br><b>Richard Leung, MD, PhD</b><br>Director, Sleep Laboratory/St. Michael's Hospital;<br>Assistant Professor/University of Toronto                                                                   |
| 08:50 – 09:40 | <b>Antimicrobial Resistance</b><br><b>Isaac I. Bogoch, MD, MS, FRCPC, DTM&amp;H</b><br>Infectious Disease/Tropical Medicine Specialist/University of Toronto                                                                                        |
| 09:40 – 10:00 | <b>REFRESHMENT BREAK</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
| 10:00 – 10:50 | <b>CLL, MGUS, Myelodysplasia and CML</b><br><b>Richard Wells, MD</b><br>Heme Oncologist, Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre                                                                                                                          |
| 10:50 – 11:40 | <b>HPV Head and Neck Cancer - A Growing Epidemic</b><br><b>Patrick Gullane, CM, OOnt, MB, FRCSC, FACS, Hon FRACS, Hon FRCS, Hon FRCSI</b><br>Professor Department of Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery, Professor of Surgery/University of Toronto |
| 11:40 – 12:00 | <b>Closing Remarks</b><br><b>Georgiana Pascutiu, MD, DBIM</b><br>Medical Director, RGA Canada<br>President, CLIMOA                                                                                                                                  |

\*Program is valid as of March 24, 2017 and subject to change

## REGISTRATION FEES

*All prices subject to 13% taxes.*

| CATEGORY                    | By April 3    | After April 3 |
|-----------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Member                      | \$995 CAD     | \$1,095 CAD   |
| Non-Member                  | \$1,195 CAD   | \$1,295 CAD   |
| Spouse / Guest              | \$395 CAD     | \$445 CAD     |
| Underwriter                 | \$595 CAD     | \$695 CAD     |
| One-Day (Monday or Tuesday) | \$445 CAD     | \$495 CAD     |
| One-Day (Wednesday)         | \$225 CAD     | \$245 CAD     |
| Emeritus / Retired Member   | Complimentary | Complimentary |

**Member / Non-Member** registration fee includes: attendance at all scientific sessions, all registration material, Sunday Welcome Reception, 3 breakfasts (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday), 2 lunches (Monday, Tuesday), and Tuesday Closing Dinner.

**Spouse / Guest** registration fee includes: Sunday Welcome Reception, 3 breakfasts (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday), and Tuesday Closing Dinner. (This category is not available as a one-day option.)

**Underwriter** registration fee includes: attendance at all scientific sessions, all registration material, 3 breakfasts (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday), and 2 lunches (Monday, Tuesday). Tickets to the Sunday Welcome Reception and Tuesday Closing Dinner must be purchased separately.

**One-Day** registration fee includes: attendance at scientific sessions for Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday, all registration material, breakfast (Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday) and lunch (Monday or Tuesday). Tickets to the Sunday Welcome Reception and Tuesday Closing Dinner must be purchased separately.

**Emeritus / Retired Member** registration fee includes: attendance at all scientific sessions, all registration material, 3 breakfasts (Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday), and 2 lunches (Monday, Tuesday). Tickets to the Sunday Welcome Reception and Tuesday Closing Dinner must be purchased separately.

### NIAGARA FALLS REGION TOUR

\$150 CAD

Sunday, May 7

09:30-17:00

## EVENING SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

*\* If you are registering as a Member, Non-Member or Spouse / Guest, one ticket to these events is already included in your registration fee.*

*\* If you are registering as an Underwriter, One-Day or Emeritus / Retired Member, tickets to the Sunday Welcome Reception and Tuesday Closing Dinner must be purchased separately.*

### WELCOME RECEPTION

\$80 CAD (\* if not included in registration fee)

Sunday, May 7

18:00-19:30

Mezzanine Lounge, Park Hyatt Toronto

### CLOSING DINNER

\$160 CAD (\* if not included in registration fee)

Tuesday, May 9

18:30-22:00

Stratus Restaurant – 36<sup>th</sup> Floor, TD Tower

### CANCELLATION POLICY

*Refunds of registration fees, less a \$100 CAD administration fee, will be issued for cancellations received by Monday, April 10, 2017. No refunds will be issued after this date. If you are unable to attend, you may substitute someone in your place. All cancellations and substitution requests must be received in writing. Refunds will be processed after the meeting.*

## TORONTO, ONTARIO

Toronto is the largest city in Canada and the fourth-largest city in North America, after Mexico City, New York and Los Angeles. Centrally located between New York, Chicago and Montreal, Toronto is within a 90-minute flight for over half the U.S. and Canadian population. It is a global centre of business, finance, entertainment, arts and culture, and one of the most diverse cities in the world. A vibrant, multicultural, cosmopolitan city, Toronto was named a Top 10 Travel Destination in 2016 by the New York Times.



### TRAVEL

Toronto is served by two airports. Toronto Pearson International Airport is Canada's principal airport with travel connections to every continent. Billy Bishop Toronto City Airport is one of the most convenient urban airports in the world, located on Toronto Island minutes from the downtown core. It is served by Porter Airlines with air connections to destinations including Ottawa, Montreal, Quebec City, Halifax, New York City (Newark) and Chicago, as well as Air Canada to Montreal.

If rail travel is preferred, VIA Rail and AMTRAK bring visitors into the heart of the city each day. Toronto's Union Station is centrally located downtown and connects to the subway by underground tunnel.

Several highways link surrounding cities to Toronto, including Highways 2, 401, 407 and the Queen Elizabeth Way. The nearest Canada-U.S. border crossings are at Niagara Falls, Fort Erie and Windsor.

The Park Hyatt Toronto is located 25 km from Toronto Pearson International Airport, 5 km from Billy Bishop Toronto City Airport, and 3.5 km from Toronto Union Train Station.

### PARKING

The Park Hyatt Toronto hotel offers valet parking at \$62.15 Overnight Rate (includes in/out privileges) and \$62.15 Day Rate (includes in/out privileges). Prices include applicable taxes and are subject to change. There is also a city lot located around the corner.



## HOST HOTEL

### Park Hyatt Toronto

4 Avenue Road  
Toronto, Ontario M5R 2E8

A limited number of rooms have been secured at a special group rate of \$259 CAD for a Park Room.

#### TO RESERVE YOUR ROOM:

Call a reservation agent directly at 416-925-1234 or 800 233 1234 and refer to the Canadian Life Insurance Medical Officers Association to ensure you receive our preferred group rate.



Our group rate will only be available until Monday, April 10, 2017, or until our group block is sold out, whichever comes first. After that point, any new reservation will be subject to availability at the daily rate applicable at the time of reservation.

The rate is per room, per night, single or double occupancy, and subject to applicable taxes and fees – 13% Harmonized Sales Tax (HST) and 3% Destination Marketing Fee (DMF).

Check-in begins at 3:00 p.m.; check-out time is 12:00 p.m.

The Park Hyatt Toronto hotel is an urban retreat offering an elite level of luxury marked by subtle contemporary influence. It is perfectly situated in the fashionable Yorkville neighborhood and conveniently located near top Toronto attractions. Immerse yourself in one of the world's most vibrant cities and enjoy upscale shopping, trendy restaurants, performing arts, museums and art galleries, all within walking distance. Savour gourmet, international cuisine in the intimate, award-winning Annona restaurant, dine in the handsome setting of Morton's, The Steakhouse, reputed for its succulent cuts of aged beef, or take in stunning skyline views high above the city while sipping creative cocktails at the legendary Roof Lounge.

The hotel features 336 well-appointed guest rooms, including 45 suites, furnished with either one king size or two full size double beds. Complimentary Wi-Fi access is available in guestrooms, meeting rooms and common areas of the hotel. Complimentary use of the fitness facility is offered including steam room, sauna and Jacuzzi, located in the award-winning Stillwater Spa. The hotel room rates include laptop safe in all guestrooms, choice of daily newspaper, shoeshine service, individual bottle of water with turndown service and car service within five kilometres. A full-service business centre, room service and concierge assistance are available 24 hours a day.





## NIAGARA FALLS REGION TOUR

\$150 CAD

Sunday, May 7

09:30-17:00

If you have never been to Niagara Falls, or just love to visit one of the Seven Wonders of the World, then plan to arrive early and participate in this full day tour. Sit back and relax while your private transportation whisks you for a day of touring including a visit to a winery for a tour and tasting, a visit to the beautiful historic town of Niagara-on-the-Lake, time to visit the Falls, and lunch.



## EVENING SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

### WELCOME RECEPTION

Sunday, May 7

18:00-19:30

Mezzanine Lounge, Park Hyatt Toronto

Relax and mingle with colleagues while enjoying a variety of hors d'oeuvres.

### CLOSING DINNER

Tuesday, May 9

18:30-22:00

Stratus Restaurant – 36<sup>th</sup> Floor, TD Tower

What better way to see the city than from the sky! Take in the view from the 36<sup>th</sup> floor of the TD Tower while socializing with colleagues over a wonderful dinner. Following dinner enjoy the sounds of one of Toronto's most talented young jazz musicians as the Barbra Lica Trio performs for us.



## ENQUIRIES

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