



Call for Nominations

Hnatyshyn Stroke Lecture

Canadian Stroke Collaboration

Background:

The Hnatyshyn Lecture was established in 2003 in memory of Canada's twenty-fourth Governor General, Ramon J. Hnatyshyn, a founding board member of the Canadian Stroke Network (CSN). Mr. Hnatyshyn, who died in 2002, was a strong advocate and supporter of stroke research.

The Hnatyshyn Lecture is the most prestigious stroke lecture awarded in Canada, and is administered by the Heart and Stroke Foundation in collaboration with the Canadian Stroke Consortium, Canadian Neurological Sciences Federation and the CanStroke Recovery Trials Platform.

For 2024, this lecture will take place during the CanStroke Recovery Trial's *Canadian Stroke Congress*, being held in Calgary on November 28 – 29, 2024.

Hnatyshyn Lecturer Award:

The Hnatyshyn Lecture is awarded to a healthcare professional* who has made a significant and positive impact on brain health through his/her contribution to research, clinical care in any discipline, systems change and/or support for people with lived experience in the field of stroke and vascular cognitive impairment in Canada. Their contributions accumulate over a period of time or may be based on a significant innovation to clinical care, systems, technologies, products, programs, or policies which have a demonstrated impact.

- The Hnatyshyn lecturer is awarded an opportunity to present an oral talk at a feature plenary session at a provincial, regional or national stroke meeting or conference or as a stand-alone event in the year of the award.
- The Hnatyshyn lecturer receives a letter of acknowledgement and congratulations signed by the Heart & Stroke Foundation, the Canadian Stroke Consortium, Canadian Neurological Sciences Federation, and the CanStroke Recovery Trials Platform.
- There is no monetary award for this lectureship. *All travel and accommodation expenses for the selected lecturers will be provided by the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Canada.*

* Note, a separate named lectureship will be awarded to a community leader who has actively worked to improve the lives of people living with stroke. This may include a person with stroke, a champion of stroke recovery and peer support for others who have faced the impact of stroke. The Call for Nominations for the Louise and Frank Nieboer Lecture will be shared at the same time as the Hnatyshyn Lecture. *Information on the Nieboer Lecture is available [here](#).*

Eligibility and Selection Criteria:

- Nominations are invited on behalf of any member of the health professional community whose primary area of work and contributions to healthcare is in the field of stroke and or vascular cognitive impairment.
- All potential nominees should meet the eligibility criteria defined below to be considered outstanding candidates.
- This award represents recognition by peers in the field of stroke and vascular cognitive impairment. *Self-nominations will not be accepted.*
- Nominees should be involved in stroke research in any of the themes of research, prevention, care, rehabilitation, recovery, systems, and/or involved in a stroke or vascular cognitive impairment-related clinical field.
- Nominees should be individuals who have made significant and demonstrated contributions to their field of stroke and or vascular cognitive impairment within Canada and for the benefit of people within Canada. *Note, nominees may be people who work and/or reside outside of Canada, provided their actions and contributions directly benefit stroke care and/or people at risk within Canada.*
- Nominee's contributions extend beyond their research and clinical excellence by being champions for stroke and vascular cognitive impairment, working to raise awareness, education future leaders, and support improvements in care and outcomes.
- Nominee's personal attributes and accomplishments should exemplify a desire and drive to improve care and outcomes for people who experience a stroke and or vascular cognitive impairment.
- Nominee must be available to present their lecture in person at the CanStroke Recovery Trial's *Canadian Stroke Congress*, being held in Calgary on November 28 – 29, 2024.

Submission Process:

- All nominations should be submitted in writing to Laurie Charest, Coordinator, Health Systems at the Heart and Stroke Foundation of Canada (laurie.charest@heartandstroke.ca).
- All nominations must include the following:
 - o Name of nominating individual or group
 - o Name of nominee, location, email contact information, professional designation of nominee (if applicable), current role and affiliations
 - o Up to a 500 word statement of the attributes and accomplishments of the nominee that would demonstrate their eligibility and worthiness for this award
 - o Additional letters of support from peers of the nominee will be accepted but are not required for consideration. All letters of support should also be under 500

words and focus on significant contributions and reasons why the nominee is deserving of this recognition.

Timelines:

- **Due date for submission of nominations and all supporting materials is June 3rd, 2024 by end of business day.**
- The successful Lecturer will be notified at the end of June 2024.