

# Canada Annual Meeting

Short Course: November 5 Virtual  
Meeting: November 14-15 | Hilton Lac-Leamy

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## Overview

The DIA *Canada Annual Meeting* will provide an in-depth exploration of the current pharmaceutical, medical device, and diagnostic landscapes in Canada, emphasizing Canada's pivotal role in global healthcare product development. Offering three specialized tracks on Regulatory, Clinical, and Safety and Pharmacovigilance, the meeting will cover topics spanning from Health Canada's latest regulatory initiatives, international collaboration, and innovative clinical practices to approaches that harness AI in drug safety and increase representation from equity-denied groups.

Attendees will have the opportunity to engage with leaders and experts from academia, regulatory bodies, and the pharmaceutical and medical device industries by gaining insights into best practices, lessons learned, and strategies to address the challenges facing stakeholders in Canada.

## Event Goals and Offerings

- Foster an understanding of Health Canada's regulatory frameworks and initiatives
- Encourage collaboration between industry, academia, and regulatory bodies to enhance clinical trial processes
- Highlight the importance of patient engagement and inclusion in research and development
- Showcase advancements in AI and technology that support regulatory and clinical operations
- Provide guidance on best practices and emerging trends in drug safety and surveillance
- Offer educational sessions and workshops to improve skills and knowledge in regulatory affairs and clinical research
- Discuss strategies for effective data sharing and transparency in regulatory submissions
- Highlight Canada's unique advantages in conducting clinical trials and fostering innovation

## Tracks

- **Track A: Regulatory** - The regulatory track provides opportunities for information sharing, use cases, and best practices relating to Canada's regulatory landscape as it applies to regulatory requirements, new developments, and innovation for life sciences R&D
- **Track B: Clinical** - Today, modern pharmaceutical, medical device, and diagnostic products are advancing at an unprecedented speed. Sessions in this track will focus on clinical research development and operations for industry. Those interested in this track will gain an understanding of Health Canada's approach to the modernization of clinical trial regulations and gain further perspectives from patients and those in the life sciences R&D industry
- **Track C: Safety and Pharmacovigilance** - Our safety and pharmacovigilance track will provide a comprehensive overview of Canada's regulatory environment in the field of clinical safety and pharmacovigilance for pharmaceutical products and medical devices

## Who Should Attend

- Pharmacovigilance & Drug Safety
- Risk Management
- Clinical Research, Management, & Operations
- Regulatory Affairs & Operations
- Medical Affairs & Scientific Communication
- Quality Assurance
- Life Sciences R&D
- Project Management
- Real-World Data & Real-World Evidence
- Data Management

VIRTUAL SHORT COURSE   TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5		ROOM
8:30AM-12:30PM	<b>Best Practices for Clinical Trial Applications in Canada</b> <i>*This Short Course requires an additional registration fee. You do not need to be registered for the meeting to attend*</i>	
DAY ONE   THURSDAY NOVEMBER 14		ROOM
7:30AM-6:30PM	Registration	Ballroom Foyer
7:30-8:30AM	Breakfast	Mozart
8:30-8:45AM	Welcome and Opening Remarks	Beethoven/Chopin
8:45-10:00AM	Session 1 Plenary: Understanding Health Canada's Precision Regulating Initiatives	Beethoven/Chopin
10:00-10:45AM	Refreshments, Exhibits, and Networking Break	Mozart
10:45AM-12:00PM	<b>Session 2:</b> <b>Track A:</b> Health Canada and International Collaboration Initiatives <b>Track B:</b> Why Canada for Conducting Clinical Trials? <b>Track C:</b> Update on Health Canada's PV Guidances and Ongoing Initiatives	Beethoven/Chopin Delfosse Julien/Gagnon/Walker/Suzor-Cote
12:00-1:00PM	Luncheon, Exhibits, and Networking Break	Mozart
1:00-2:15PM	<b>Session 3:</b> <b>Track A:</b> HC/HTA Collaboration – Updates and Insights <b>Track B:</b> Equity, Diversity, Inclusion and Accessibility (EDIA) in Trials <b>Track B and Track C:</b> Pre-and Post-marketing Surveillance: Best Practices	Beethoven/Chopin Delfosse Julien/Gagnon/Walker/Suzor-Cote
2:15-3:00PM	Refreshments, Exhibits, and Networking Break	Mozart
3:00-4:15PM	<b>Session 4A:</b> <b>Track A:</b> Current and Emerging Regulatory Uses of Real-World Evidence <b>Track B:</b> Decentralized Clinical Trials – Canada's First Case Study and Next Steps <b>Track C:</b> Pharmacovigilance Unleashed: Unlocking PV Best Practices through KPIs and Data Mining	Beethoven/Chopin Delfosse Julien/Gagnon/Walker/Suzor-Cote
4:20-5:35PM	<b>Session 5:</b> <b>Track A:</b> Latest Advancements in AI – A Regulatory Perspective <b>Track B:</b> Harnessing the Potential of AI in Clinical Development and Operations <b>Track C:</b> Innovations within Pharmacovigilance: Shaping the Future of Drug Safety	Beethoven/Chopin Delfosse Julien/Gagnon/Walker/Suzor-Cote
5:35-6:35PM	Networking Reception	Mozart
DAY TWO   FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15		ROOM
7:30AM-4:00PM	Registration	Ballroom Foyer
7:30-8:30AM	Networking Breakfast	Mozart
8:30-9:45AM	<b>Session 6:</b> <b>Track A and B:</b> Insights into Rare Diseases: Pioneering Pathways for Patient Access and Drug Development <b>Track C:</b> Advancements in Patient Safety and Centricity	Beethoven/Chopin Julien/Gagnon/Walker/Suzor-Cote

9:45-10:30AM	Refreshments, Exhibits, and Networking Break	Mozart
10:30-11:45AM	<b>Session 7:</b> <b>Track A:</b> Opportunities and Challenges of Electronic Labelling Implementation <b>Track B:</b> The State of ICH GCP: Moving towards Innovative Approaches in Clinical Trial Operations <b>Track C:</b> Signal or Noise? Decoding the Pharmacovigilance Symphony	Beethoven/Chopin Delfosse Julien/Gagnon/Walker/Suzor-Cote
11:45AM-12:45PM	Luncheon, Exhibits, and Networking Break	Mozart
12:45-2:00PM	<b>Session 8:</b> <b>Track A:</b> Fostering Transparency: Health Canada, Industry, and Patient Perspectives on PRCI's Role <b>Track B:</b> Statistical, Modeling and Dose Optimization Considerations for Trial Design <b>Track C:</b> Unveiling the Power and Value of Pharmacovigilance Teams: Pioneering Safety Guardians of the Pharmaceutical World	Beethoven/Chopin Delfosse Julien/Gagnon/Walker/Suzor-Cote
2:00-2:30PM	Refreshments, Exhibits, and Networking Break	Mozart
2:30-3:45PM	<b>Session 9 Plenary:</b> AI: Investments and Future Outcomes	Beethoven/Chopin
3:45-4:00PM	Closing Remarks	Beethoven/Chopin

## Learning Objectives

At the conclusion of this conference, participants should be able to:

- Identify Health Canada's Precision Regulating Initiatives and amendments to the Food and Drugs Act to ensure precise regulatory solutions
- Discuss Health Canada's international collaboration initiatives and their impact on regulatory processes and clinical trials
- Determine the unique advantages and challenges of conducting clinical trials in Canada and how it positions itself as a global leader
- Develop strategies to enhance equity, diversity, inclusion, and accessibility in clinical trials, focusing on underrepresented groups
- Evaluate the latest developments in pharmacovigilance, including Health Canada's guidance on adverse drug reaction reporting and post-market surveillance
- Examine the role of artificial intelligence in regulatory processes, clinical development, and pharmacovigilance, and understand the implications for the industry
- Evaluate pathways for drug development and patient access in the rare diseases sector, focusing on regulatory strategies and collaboration opportunities
- Identify decentralized clinical trials, electronic patient medication information, and innovative approaches in clinical trial operations
- Discuss the importance of transparency in regulatory submissions and the role of data anonymization in protecting personal and confidential

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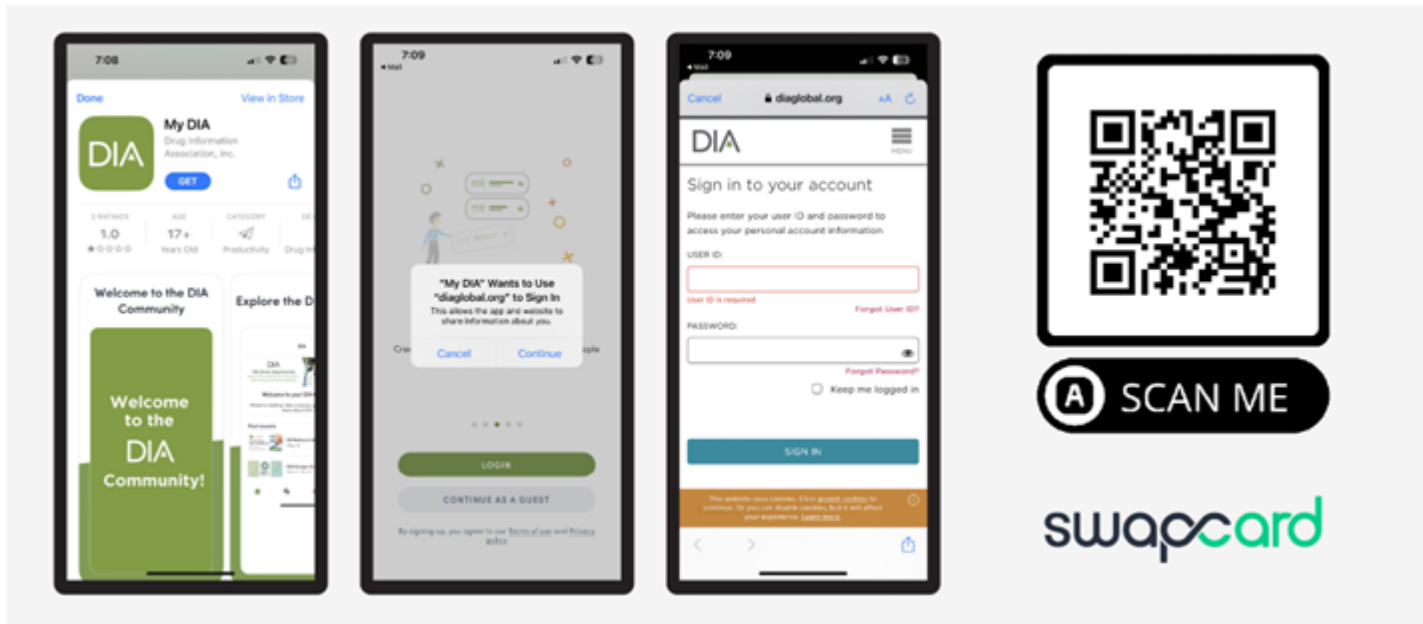
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