

# Submission guidelines for Surveillance Highlights in *Paediatrics & Child Health*



The Canadian Paediatric Surveillance Program (CPSP) is a joint project of the Canadian Paediatric Society and the Public Health Agency of Canada, which undertakes the surveillance of rare diseases and conditions in children and youth. [Surveillance Highlights](#) are published in the [Paediatrics & Child Health](#) journal as a teaching tool that presents a short fictional clinical vignette related to a CPSP multi-year study or one-time survey, as well as important learning points that briefly translate and disseminate knowledge about the disease or condition as a means of providing educational feedback and guiding practice. Details include only what is pertinent to the clinical vignette in question and are not meant to cover a topic extensively.

The **total word count** for the document is a **maximum of 750 words**, excluding references.

- **Title:** short and descriptive; approximately 50 characters
- **Identification of author(s):** name, highest academic degree or professional degree, institutional affiliation, and e-mail address
- **Clinical vignette:** 250 words maximum, which describe a fictional case as it relates to a multi-year study or a one-time survey.

#### **Important notes when drafting a *Surveillance Highlight*:**

- The following disclaimer must be included in the Highlight submission:  
*Every clinical vignette presented within the journal's Surveillance Highlights section describes a fictional case, created as a teaching tool and related to a Canadian Paediatric Surveillance Program study or survey*
- Only make reference to generic drugs and treatments and not trademarked/patented drugs and treatments so as to not create a risk of any legal liability arising from a fictional case.
- **Learning points:** 500 words maximum, including a maximum of 6 (six) short and informative bullet points; the first two or three points are taken from the results of the study or one-time survey, when available, and the remaining points translate knowledge on the topic, reflect back to the vignette, and guide practice.
- **References:** 3 (three) maximum; if additional references are needed, the study protocol on the CPSP website will be referenced. Date accessed for web links to be included.
- **Attributes:** 3 (three) specialty areas, in order of importance, from the list below (page 2) and 3 (three) MeSH keywords from [www.nlm.nih.gov/mesh/MBrowser.html](http://www.nlm.nih.gov/mesh/MBrowser.html)
- **Conflict of interest:** forms to be signed by each author [www.icmje.org/conflicts-of-interest](http://www.icmje.org/conflicts-of-interest) (download)
- **Submission date:** 12 weeks before intended publication issue, to [cpsp@cps.ca](mailto:cpsp@cps.ca)

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Cardiology  
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Clinical Immunology and Allergy  
Clinical Pharmacology  
Clinician Investigator Program  
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Community Medicine  
Critical Care Medicine  
Dermatology  
Developmental Pediatrics  
Diagnostic radiology  
Drug Therapy and Hazardous Substances  
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Endocrinology and Metabolism  
Environmental Health  
First Nations, Inuit and Métis Health  
Forensic Pathology  
Gastroenterology  
General Pathology  
General Surgery  
General Surgical Oncology  
Geriatric Medicine  
Gynecologic Oncology  
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Hematology  
Infectious Diseases  
Injury Prevention  
Internal Medicine  
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Medical Education  
Medical Genetics  
Medical Microbiology  
Medical Oncology  
Neonatal-Perinatal Medicine  
Nephrology  
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Pediatric Hematology/Oncology  
Pediatric Radiology  
Pediatrics  
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Plastic Surgery  
Psychiatry  
Radiation Oncology  
Respirology  
Rheumatology  
Social Paediatrics  
Thoracic Surgery  
Transfusion Medicine  
Urology  
Vascular Surgery