

OAND 2026 CALL FOR CONTINUING EDUCATION PROPOSALS

The Ontario Association of Naturopathic Doctors (OAND) represents over 1,600 Naturopathic Doctors and students across Ontario. Our Continuing Education (CE) program offers a comprehensive suite of learning opportunities—including live webinars, hybrid and on-demand courses, skills-based workshops, and our annual in-person Conference—designed to support NDs in delivering high-quality, evidence-informed care. These programs reach practitioners across Canada and continue to grow in scope and impact.

Members consistently value the flexibility, accessibility, and convenience of on-demand learning. Building on this momentum—and recognizing shifts in how clinicians engage with professional development—we will continue advancing innovative, high-quality virtual and hybrid education. For 2026, the OAND is seeking clinical, innovative, multidisciplinary, and practice-building proposals that strengthen naturopathic care, and reflect evolving, team-based approaches to care and the realities of integrated health-system practice. Proposals must align with CONO's continuing education requirements, and uphold our commitment to independence, ethics, transparency, and excellence. We are looking for education sessions to allow our members to fulfill both Category A and Category B requirements. Given the regulatory importance of Category A credits – particularly for new and early-career practitioners – Category A-eligible programming may be prioritized during proposal review.

In addition to our ongoing education opportunities offered to our members, we are also looking for exciting, dynamic and innovative educational offerings for OANDCon2026, which will be held October 2-3, 2026, at the Toronto Congress Centre. Education sessions offered at OANDCon2026 will be recorded and offered for a fee to our members who do not attend the conference on our education portal following the conference. We strongly encourage professionals from across all health disciplines to submit a proposal. Our members have been clear that they want to learn from a broad range of experts and health providers.

Selected education may be delivered through multiple formats, including live delivery, recorded on-demand access, bundled learning pathways, or future curated education series. OAND reserves the right to repackage approved content to maximize member access, affordability, and sustainability of the Continuing Education program.

Corporate Sponsors

The OAND is proud to partner with our corporate sponsors to promote and continue to provide high-quality, current, and accessible education to the profession. Sponsorship of Continuing Education supports the development, delivery, and accessibility of evidence-informed programming for Ontario NDs. Sponsors benefit from meaningful engagement with the profession through association with high-quality, independent education, without influence over clinical recommendations or outcomes.

Organizations may engage with the profession through clearly defined sponsorship and exhibitor opportunities, including participation in OANDCon26 on October 2 and 3, where conference sponsorship options may include conference

presence, brand visibility, and approved product education sessions or keynote presentations. All accredited Continuing Education remains independently developed and delivered in alignment with the Association's standards.

To sponsor education throughout the year, organizations must be Corporate Partners with the OAND. Corporate Partnership represents an investment in the profession and supports Ontario NDs through ongoing, evidence-informed education. Organizations that are not currently Corporate Partners are encouraged to contact us to discuss available conference-based sponsorship opportunities prior to submitting a proposal.

Emerging Themes and Educational Needs

We are currently accepting proposals for the following Continuing Education activities in 2026:

- **Single Webinars and Webinar Series**
Webinars are typically two hours in length and may be offered as standalone sessions or as part of a multi-session series. Sessions are often lecture-based but may also incorporate hybrid formats that combine on-demand learning with live, interactive components.
- **On-Demand Education**
We welcome proposals for interactive, on-demand e-learning courses designed for flexible, self-paced learning. Proposals are encouraged to think creatively about format, engagement, and assessment. Select longer, competency-based on-demand courses may be eligible for sponsorship opportunities.
- **2026 Conference and Tradeshow (October 2–3, 2026 | Toronto, Ontario)**
OANDCon2026 will be OAND's first in-person conference since 2019 and is expected to be a flagship event for the profession. We are seeking proposals for workshops, seminars, and keynote presentations that balance practical, skills-based learning with high-quality lecture-based education. We are also seeking one to three dynamic keynote speakers to headline the event. All conference sessions will be recorded and may be offered on-demand following the event.

In addition, OAND is interested in proposals for the following strategic education formats:

- **Certificate or competency-based learning programs**
- **Multi-part clinical or practice management education series**
- **On-demand learning bundles aligned to specific practice areas**
- **New Graduate Category A learning pathways**
- **Sponsor-supported jurisprudence or core competency refresher programs**

Proposals that lend themselves to multi-session delivery, on-demand use, or future inclusion in curated learning pathways may be prioritized during the review process.

Presentation Topics

OAND's educational programming goals are to provide Ontario Naturopathic Doctors with high-quality, relevant, and accessible continuing education that: supports safe, evidence-informed practice; reflects the evolving scope, credibility,

and expectations of the profession; and reduces cost and time barriers for members. **The list below are potential suggestions but are not intended to limit submissions.** Presenters may be compensated for sales of recorded events (negotiated separately and session dependent).

Education Pillars & Learning Objectives	Potential Topics
Best Practices	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Practice standards & clinical documentation best practices • Informed consent and risk communication • Interprofessional collaboration & referrals • Quality assurance and continuous improvement • Cultural humility, trauma-informed care, and patient-centred practice
Business of Practice	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Financial literacy for clinic owners & associates • Ethical marketing and advertising (aligned with regulatory expectations) • Digital Marketing • Hiring, HR, and contractor compliance • Billing, insurance, and emerging reimbursement models • Practice models aligned with public health systems and team-based care
Clinical Excellence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chronic disease management & integrative care models • Mental health, pain, cardiology, metabolic health, microbiome, and women's health • Scope-appropriate prescribing, optimization and therapeutic decision-making • Case-based learning with clear safety and risk frameworks • Collaboration with conventional providers
Jurisprudence and Regulation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Annual jurisprudence update (advertising, scope, complaints trends, etc.) • Risk management, medico-legal decision making and professional liability • Record keeping, privacy, and virtual care compliance • Responding to College inquiries and investigations
Research, Literacy & Evidence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Critical appraisal skills • Translating research into practice • Understanding systematic reviews and clinical guidelines • Communicating evidence to patients and policymakers • ND-led research and outcomes measurement
Technology & Innovation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AI in clinical documentation and decision support (ethics & limits) • Virtual care best practices • EMRs, interoperability, and data security • Digital therapeutics and remote monitoring • Using technology to demonstrate outcomes and value

Proposal Submission Instructions

Registration fees, sponsorship fees, and revenue-sharing arrangements vary by session type and delivery model and will be outlined upon proposal acceptance.

Proposal Submission Deadline: February 27th, 2026. If you have constraints around this deadline and would still like to submit a proposal, please don't hesitate to contact us directly.

Submission Instructions: Complete the proposal form [CLICK HERE](#). *Please note that handwritten, faxed, scanned, emailed, or incomplete proposals will not be considered.*

Review Process: Selections will be made in a timely manner, and all applicants will be notified of the status of their proposals as quickly as possible. The OAND has sole discretion over selection of session type. If accepted, presenters must agree to not present the same session within 4 months of the OAND presentation date.

Questions? Contact Fiona Hill, Director, Engagement, Policy and Advocacy at fhill@oand.org Or Veronika Achor, Manager, Education & Policy at vachor@oand.org

Appendices

Speaker Sponsorship Terms

Sponsors will pay the sponsorship fee directly to the OAND in addition to covering all fees and arrangements associated with the speaker, including speaker's fee, travel and accommodations. Please note that presentations are non-commercial. Product/brand solicitation and promotion is strictly prohibited by regulation. See below for specific details.

Proposal Submission Criteria

- Relevance to Ontario naturopathic clinical practice.
- Within the scope of practice of Naturopathy in Ontario.
- Access substances that can be prescribed/dispensed (Tables 1 to 6, Reg. 168/15 of the Naturopathy Act, 2007)
- Inclusion of evidence-based research, with a focus on the last 5 years. We recognize that traditional forms of healing may not have recent research and welcome these proposals.
- Practical assessment, diagnosis, treatment protocols/clinical excellence.
- Case studies

Category A Core Competency material must be absence of any commercial bias or product placement except for designated slides or areas. Details will be outlined in your sponsorship contract.