



PARENT/GUARDIAN INFORMATION & CONSENT FORM

On behalf of the Conference Organisers, the International AIDS Society and Toronto Local Host, we thank you for supporting your child in attending the XVI International AIDS Conference in Toronto, Canada from 13-18 August 2006 (the "**Conference**").

Each person who is under the age of 18 (as of 13 August 2006) and not sponsored by a company has to provide the **Parent/Guardian Information and Consent Form**. Additionally, proof of age by an official, state- or institute-issued document (i.e. passport, birth certificate, vaccine report, national photo ID card, or driver's license) must be presented on-site at the registration counter in order to pick up the Conference name badge.

Your child must be at least 16 years old (as of 13 August 2006) to attend the Conference on his/her own. All children under the age of 16 (as of 13 August 2006) must be accompanied by an adult (at least 18 years old as of 13 August 2006) who is registered for the Conference in order to be able to attend the Conference.

In attending the Conference, the following is the type of experience and exposure that your child can expect:

The Conference sessions are organized into five tracks: Biology and Pathogenesis of HIV; Clinical Research; Treatment and Care; Epidemiology; Prevention and Prevention Research; Social, Behavioural and Economic Science; Policy. The Conference covers all aspects of HIV/AIDS, for example: medical information, sexuality, health, sexual and reproductive health, issues of poverty, sexual orientation, racism, gender, stigma and discrimination, drug use, and medicine.

A lounge for people living with HIV/AIDS ("PLWHA") will be available on site. The PLWHA lounge will be a place of rest and support where there will be complimentary snacks, spaces for informal meetings and relaxation and private facilities for taking medication.

The Cultural Programme of the Conference will showcase film, video, visual art, theatre, poetry, dance, music, and other creative pursuits. Activities and events will be showcased at the Conference centre, city public venues and community organizations.

Exhibit areas with education displays and presentations will include content on human sexuality, sexual and reproductive health including condoms, female condoms, homosexuality, drug use and paraphernalia. There will be some visual art displaying the lives of people living with HIV and communities affected by HIV. There will be displays by pharmaceutical companies promoting their products including HIV/AIDS medications.

Networking areas will allow for different populations to gather as peers including scientists, researchers, health professionals, gays and lesbians, people living with HIV, prostitutes, drug users, people from ethno cultural communities, former prisoners, faith-based communities, transgendered people, women and men.



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The Youth Pavilion within the Global Village will be a youth focused space for meetings, forums, and evening sessions; a space to highlight and showcase youth achievements, connect with peers to facilitate networking opportunities and engage adults in dialogue, a youth media hub, and a lounge.

Food can be purchased on-site and there will be an information desk available for delegates.

The Conference and its organisers will not in any way be responsible for the care or supervision of your child during the Conference or any related activities. The Conference and its organisers will not be responsible for and disclaim any liability associated with any injuries, loss of life, property losses, or any other harm you or your child may suffer as a result of or in connection with your child's attendance at the Conference or any related activities.

As a condition of your child's admittance to the Conference, we require you as the parent/legal guardian to accept the terms and conditions set out in this form. **Please read this form carefully, complete and sign the form in triplicate to indicate your acceptance, and return one copy of the form to the Conference Organisers at: *Attention Youth Activities Programme, Toronto Local Host Secretariat, 46 Wellesley Street East, Toronto, Ontario, M4Y 1G2, Canada.* The second copy is for your records. The third copy is for your child to bring with them when attending the Conference. We also ask that you advise your child of your consent to his or her attendance at the Conference.**

Name of child/ward: _____ has my permission to attend and participate in the Conference and any activities relating to the Conference from 13 – 18 August 2006.

Contacts during the Conference:

During the duration of the Conference, I may be reached at

Address

Phone

Alternate Phone

In the event of an emergency, if I cannot be reached, the following person is hereby authorised to act on my behalf and **has been notified that she/he has been granted this authority and may be contacted by the Conference or the Conference Organisers:**



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Name: _____ Relationship to child/ward: _____

Address _____ Phone _____

Alternate Phone _____

For youth under the age of 16 (as of 13 August 2006):

Name of the registered adult delegate accompanying the youth: _____

Address _____ Phone _____

Mobile Phone _____

In the event of an emergency, if parent/guardian or secondary contact person cannot be reached, **your signature on this form gives permission to the Conference and the Conference Organisers to take whatever steps they deem necessary to ensure the safety and health of your child/ward.**

Informed Consent: I have read and understood the information provided with this form and herein. I understand that there is a degree of risk in attending the Conference. After carefully considering all the risks involved, I authorise my child/ward to participate in the Conference as described above.

This form must be signed **in triplicate** by a custodial parent or guardian of a participant less than 18 years old, and one copy returned to the Conference Organisers. The second copy of this form is for your records. The third copy is to be given to the child for them keep on their person when attending the Conference.

*** SIGNATURE OF CUSTODIAL
PARENT/GUARDIAN OR PARTICIPANT
(IF OVER 18)**

**RELATIONSHIP TO PARTICIPANT (IF
APPLICABLE)**

Name:
Address:

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SIGNATURE OF WITNESS (OVER 18)

Name:

Address:

* When only one parent signs to indicate consent, he/she does so in good faith and is presumed to be acting with the consent of the other legal parent/guardian.