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WASHINGTON BEHAVIORAL HEALTHCARE CONFERENCE
JUNE 17-18, 2021

Call for Presentations

31st Annual Washington Behavioral Healthcare Conference

June 17-18, 2021

WHY IS THIS THE YEAR TO SUBMIT A WBHC PRESENTATION PROPOSAL?

- ◆ The WBHC features national & regional experts in behavioral health & recovery, consumer leaders, and providers of local model programs built on evidence-based and data-informed practices.
- ◆ Consumer, family & peer presentations are strongly encouraged, and they contribute to the unique diversity of voice and inclusive atmosphere at the WBHC.
- ◆ The WBHC attracts a statewide audience for sharing knowledge and resources, networking, and celebrating stories of recovery.

Application Deadline: DECEMBER 7, 2020

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STRONGER TOGETHER – A PATH FORWARD

During these unprecedented times, there's still a lot up in the air. Since planning for the WBHC begins long before the event, we don't know at this time whether the WBHC will be held in person in Kennewick, WA, or virtually. Once that decision has been made, we'll let everyone know, but in the meantime we invite you to join us in presenting innovative workshops at the 31st annual Washington Behavioral Healthcare Conference!

The conference brings together a diverse group of presenters to share information about therapeutic interventions, recovery supports, promising programs, and policies that advance best practices. Our goal is to provide a learning experience that expands professional knowledge, promotes community partnerships, and helps make recovery a reality. In 2019 over 680 people attended—this is a great opportunity to share your knowledge and experience!

As a presenter at the 2021 WBHC, you'll gain visibility and have the opportunity to interact with a broad audience. Conference attendees include clinical staff, program managers, clients/consumers, family members, peers, nonprofit staff, advocates, and staff of system partners and state agencies including the Health Care Authority, DSHS, and the Department of Corrections.

Each proposal chosen will receive a complimentary conference registration (whether in person or virtual) and one night hotel accommodations for each presenter (**up to the strict limit of 3 presenters per workshop**) if the WBHC is held in person. Travel expenses and per diem are not provided.

Submitting a Proposal

- ◆ Workshops are scheduled for 90 minutes. Please tailor proposal materials and objectives to fit within this time frame. **If chosen, we expect that your presentation in June will reflect the materials & objectives submitted.**
- ◆ A Word version of the application is available at www.thewashingtoncouncil.org/2021-washington-behavioral-healthcare-conference/
- ◆ Completed applications & supporting documents must be received by **December 7, 2020**
- ◆ Notification of acceptance will be sent out in January/February 2021.

Topics

We're interested in proposals that address behavioral health across the lifespan of those served. Specific areas of interest for 2021 include:

- ◆ Race & Equity in Behavioral Health
- ◆ Health, Wellness & Integrated Care
- ◆ Prevention, Recovery & Resiliency
- ◆ Consumer-Run and/or Peer Support Services
- ◆ Crisis Outreach & Diversion Services
- ◆ Trauma-Informed Care/Services
- ◆ Services for Veterans in Community Settings
- ◆ Innovative Care Practices (including but not limited to telehealth, suicide prevention, evidence-based, best & promising practices)
- ◆ Management, Leadership & Operations (HR, payment & regulatory environment, customer service)
- ◆ Substance Use & Co-Occurring Disorder Treatment (including MAT & responding to the opioid crisis)
- ◆ Corrections & Mental Health
- ◆ Homelessness, Housing & Employment
- ◆ Services for LGBTQ Communities
- ◆ Older Adults & the Aging Population
- ◆ Children, Families, Youth in Transition Services

Questions? Need help with the application? Please contact Alison Avery, Education & Project Manager for the Washington Council for Behavioral Health at aavery@thewashingtoncouncil.org or (206) 306-3712.

2021 WBHC Presentation Application

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We're interested in proposals that address the topic areas described on the previous page. Proposals will be evaluated according to the following criteria:

- ◆ Promotion of advanced clinical skills beyond an introductory level
- ◆ Clear articulation of the objective and purpose of the presentation
- ◆ Experience and/or expertise of the presenter(s)
- ◆ Focus on skill development of participants and practical replication of a successful program (vs. promotion of your program or product)
- ◆ Meaningful inclusion of consumer & family voice
- ◆ Contribution to improved outcomes, recovery, and quality of life of those served
- ◆ Incorporation of evidence-based, best and/or promising practices
- ◆ Opportunities for engaging and stimulating sessions with participants
- ◆ Use of person-first language and sensitivity/applicability to a multicultural population

ALL OF THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION IS REQUIRED FOR EACH PROPOSAL SUBMITTED:

Presentation Title: _____

Lead Presenter: _____

Degree (incl. field of study): _____

Organization: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

Presenter 2: _____

Degree (incl. field of study): _____

Organization: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

Presenter 3: _____

Degree (incl. field of study): _____

Organization: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

If the WBHC is held virtually in 2021, do each of you have access to high-speed Internet and a computer/laptop with a camera, microphone, etc.? Yes No

If the WBHC is held virtually, are each of you willing to participate in at least one practice session with organizers? Yes No

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Intended Level/Audience of Presentation:

- General Behavioral Health
- Advanced Clinical Practice

Completed applications **MUST** be received by December 7, 2020 and must include a separate document with all of the following information:

- ◆ Focus area, learning objectives & goals of the presentation as well as an abstract (approx. 300 words, for use in brochures if presentation is selected, may be edited; if chosen, the workshop presented should align with this submitted abstract) and a brief biography of each presenter, including one credible reference regarding experience in presenting and/or facilitating workshops, webinars or other presentations

Application Checklist:

Please check each item to ensure a complete application. The Education Committee will also consider this to be an acknowledgment that you understand the terms of submission. Please email [Alison Avery at aavery@thewashingtoncouncil.org](mailto:aavery@thewashingtoncouncil.org) if you have questions or need clarification.

I understand that:

- A fully completed & signed application (including a separate document that describes focus area, learning objectives & goals of presentation, 300-word abstract and bios for each presenter) is required
- There is a limit of **3 presenters** for each workshop
- I am submitting a proposal for the 2021 WBHC and understand that my proposal may not be chosen
- I may call the Washington Council for Behavioral Health at (206) 306-3712 if I have questions or need assistance in completing my application
- Each presenter (**up to the limit of 3**) will receive a complimentary registration and one night of hotel accommodations; travel expenses and per diem are not included
- If selected, my workshop will follow the original (or edited) description as it appears in the printed & online programs
- Applications must be received by **December 7, 2020**

SIGNATURE: _____ Date: _____

Electronic signature accepted

Completed Applications:

Please email applications & supporting documents to:

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