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# PREVENTION SUMMIT WORKSHOP SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

## HOW TO SUBMIT A WORKSHOP

HIV
PREVENTION
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EDUCATION SUMMIT



## HIV Prevention & Education Summit Tuesday, June 16, 2020

#### **Call for Workshop Submissions**

### What is HIV Prevention & Education Summit?

HIV Prevention & Education Summit is a conference that welcomes all people interested in learning more about the wide-range of issues that impact people living with HIV/AIDS (PLWH/A). The conference provides information on the latest treatment, research, prevention, and outreach strategies and aims to address the social determinants of health that place people at risk. These include stigma, institutional racism, transphobia, homophobia, healthcare access, economic injustice, housing insecurity, and food insecurity to name a few. Our End AIDS conference offers education around evidence-based best practice strategies to prevent HIV, linking individuals to care, and providing culturally competent services to all individuals. The conference explains vital health information in non-academic language, and aims to amplify the voices of PLWHA to ensure that people with lived experiences are recognized as experts in workshops and discussions.

#### Who is the Audience?

The regional audience includes:

- 1) People living with HIV/AIDS
- 2) Those working in the HIV field such as medical doctors, case managers, social workers, health care providers, prevention workers, street outreach workers, HIV testers, city employees, researchers, sexual health educators, as well as grassroots activists and advocates.
- 3) Those working in allied fields who may be working with people living with HIV or those at high risk and who want to learn more about how HIV impacts their communities. Faith-based groups; school nurses; mental health agency staff; drug and alcohol specialists; and shelter and recovery house staff are some examples of those organizations.
- 4) The general public, including family and friends of people living with HIV, and anyone interested in learning more about HIV/AIDS.

#### **HIV Prevention & Education Summit Workshop Tracks**

Presenters may submit workshops for any of the following tracks. Some presentations may be relevant to more than one track. Some workshops may not fit exactly into a track. However, if your workshop is relevant to the nature of the summit, we can accommodate your workshop into the closest relevant track. Submissions should indicate the *primary track* that the presentation falls under and then any secondary tracks.

- 1. Research and Treatment: The latest research around treatment and prevention technologies including HIV cure research, vaccines, microbicides, PrEP and PEP, condoms, circumcision or behavioral research focused on housing, reducing risk behaviors, new interventions, and/or research advocacy. Workshops submitted to this track can also focus on research literacy, e.g. workshops on how to interpret data, key terms often used in research, and information about clinical trials.
- 2. Women: How to reach HIV+ female identified individuals and connect them to care, prevention strategies for women at risk of HIV, coping strategies for women and their families, options for counseling and reproductive rights, violence or abuse and the connection to HIV, discussion around relationships, access to mental health services, new interventions for women, and advocacy or activism around women's issues.
- 3. Sex Work: The latest strategies on outreach to and services for male, female, or trans-identified sex workers, sensitivity training on understanding the lives and needs of sex workers, how to reach different populations of sex workers, interventions for sex workers, legal issues and the criminal justice system, trafficking, and activism around sex work.
- 4. LGBTQI: Interventions, research, and unique approaches to reaching lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans/gender nonconforming, queer or questioning and intersex individuals, innovative local services, understanding stigma, access to mental health services, services, and programs for LGBTQI youth, and epidemiology of LGBTQI populations.
- Spanish Language: This track is devoted to offering all workshops in Spanish on topics that are relevant to a predominantly Spanish speaking population.
- 6. Youth Provider: This track is aimed at adults who are working with youth, 13-24. The goal is to develop strategies for talking about sexual health with youth, barriers to care for HIV+ youth, prevention with at risk youth that are struggling with homelessness, aging out of foster care, have a history of abuse, trauma, behavioral and learning disabilities, and/or mental illness, and innovative interventions targeting youth.
- Faith and Spirituality: This interfaith track addresses
  the development or sustaining of HIV ministries,
  spirituality and healing for PLWHA, engaging
  providers and communities of faith in combating HIV,
  and how to address stigma in all faith communities
  and denominations.

- Justice & Policy: Local and national policies that impact PLWH/A and prevention work, as well as allied issues (i.e. healthcare reform, medical marijuana, needle exchange), how these policies affect HIV programming, research, and funding, and advocacy and activism related to these policies.
- 9. Behavioral Health- In the Field: This track discusses the intersection of HIV and mental health. These workshops also provide training on different evidence-based approaches to doing mental healthcare programming for PLWHA. The workshops will also address practical concepts like harm reduction, de-escalation, burn-out prevention, using multimedia and other tools for models of mental health counseling, program planning, implementation, evaluation, and trauma informed-care.
- 10. Love, Sex, and Relationships: This track has workshops that are developed by people living with HIV for people living with HIV to discuss important topics such as: sex and relationships, disclosure, families, children, parents, stigma, support networks, self-care, relational dynamics, and more.
- 11. Substance Use and Addiction: This track will discuss the intersection of HIV and addiction, Injection Drug Use interventions, drug policies and the war on drugs, crack/cocaine and HIV, recovery models and HIV, harm reduction, supervised injection sites, meth and HIV, the opioid epidemic and the connection of drug use and mental health treatment.
- Hepatitis C: The intersection of Hep C and HIV coinfection, new treatments, innovative strategies for addressing both diseases, latest statistics on Hep C infections, and the impact of Hep C on people living with HIV
- 13. PrEP: Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis is an exciting new prevention tool. This track is devoted to exploring research around PrEP efficacy, PrEP programs that are taking place regionally, and understanding the successes, strategies, and challenges for those who are taking PrEP
- 14. The Continuum of Care: This track is devoted to exploring strategies for testing, linking new and out of care individuals to medical care, getting PLWH on HAART, and helping those on meds to become virologically suppressed. Effective models and research for providing targeted testing, opt-out testing, testing by neighborhood, linking those tested to care for early treatment, digital literacy and navigating patient portals, and keeping HIV-positive individuals in care.
- 15. HIV & Aging: Research on the aging process for those living with HIV, how to stay healthy as PLWH/A get older, chronic illnesses associated with aging that impact PLWH/A, and prevention models for older adults.

#### **Workshop Submission Guidelines**

- 1. Workshops may be submitted beginning Friday, January 17<sup>th</sup> 2020
- 2. The deadline for submissions is Friday, March 6th 2020 at 5:00 PM.
- **4.** We *will not* accept workshops after the deadline.
- **5.** ALL submissions must be received electronically through the Community Health Training Alliance (CHTA) website, <a href="www.fight.org/CHTA">www.fight.org/CHTA</a>
- **6.** Only completed submissions will be considered.
- **7.** Submissions may either be presentations or panels.
- **8.** We encourage interaction and group participation.
- **9.** All speakers and panelists *must* be contacted by the submitter and fully committed to being part of the Summit by the date of submission; all submissions must have ALL presenter information completed.
- 10. You will be notified mid-April about the status of your submission.

#### What we are looking for:

- New and original methods around doing prevention and outreach in one or more targeted communities. (i.e. If you are doing a new intervention and/or program that can be replicated)
- <u>Review of relevant research</u> as it relates to your topic. (i.e. If you are discussing research on PrEP, your workshop should include information on local and/or national research to put your topic into context)
- Inclusion of relevant statistics around the population or topic that you are discussing.
- Activities! We encourage your workshop to be interactive.
- <u>Take away materials or information.</u> Your workshop should have specific measures that will be learned and
  information that will be useful to those wanting to get involved or start their own project based on your
  presentation.
- Presentations created by People Living with HIV/AIDS (PLWHA) and workshops that amplify the voices of PLWHA.
- <u>Presentations that address how systems of oppression and structural racism impact the epidemic.</u> These are the complex, and intersecting social structures and economic systems that are responsible for most health inequities, and injustices. These social structures and economic systems include social environment (race, class, and gender), physical environment, health services, and structural and societal factors. We highly encourage you to examine and address how systems of oppression and structural racism impact the epidemic in your workshop.

#### What we are not looking for:

- <u>A review of your organization's services or part of its services</u>. This may be a part of the presentation, but must have additional context as it relates to the epidemic locally, nationally, or in relation to recent research or a specific prevention strategy.
- <u>A program that cannot be replicated:</u> It's great if you have a wonderful program, but the audience is interested in how that program can be applied or used to further the prevention and outreach work they may be doing.
- Overly academic or scientific language. This conference welcomes attendees with varying levels of literacy
  and academic backgrounds, who are interested in the practical application of the information you are
  presenting. Any discussion of research or theories must be done in laymen's terms.

**Please Note:** Workshops must be open to all people who attend the summit; we cannot restrict attendance to any workshop. Additionally, please be aware that all conference goers may come in late or leave a workshop early based on their needs. Workshops cannot be closed to attendees at any time.

## HIV Prevention & Education Summit Workshop 2019 Submission Checklist

#### **Instructions**

Please use this checklist as a guide to submitting your workshop. Workshops must be submitted through the website. All of the following information must be completed in full and inputted *electronically* through CHTA's website, fight.org/chta

Do not mail or email this form. It will not be accepted as a workshop submission.

#### Checklist

- 1) Complete title of workshop (capitalize all words)
- 2) Full contact information of primary contact person for the workshop (You are the person who organizes the speakers, so your contact information is important. We rely on you to convey all relevant information to speakers, in addition to our communications) Below is all of the information we will need from you
  - First Name
  - Last Name
  - Organization
  - Address
  - Email
  - Phone Number
  - Fax Number
  - What is the best way to contact you? Phone Email Fax
- 3) The format of your workshop
  - Presentation (Typically 1-3 presenters, no moderator necessary)
  - Panel Discussion (three to five panelists with a moderator who will ask questions of each panelist and take audience questions)
  - Workshops should have no more than 4 presenters

#### Narrative Questions:

- 4) A brief description of workshop to be used in the program booklet (approximately 200 words). Please make sure you review this for spelling and grammar mistakes. What you submit is what we use. Also, be direct and clear about what your workshop is. Sometimes the less words the better.
- 5) Objectives: Please provide a list of 3-4 objectives for your workshop, including what you intend to cover and what participants will take away. They should be practical and attainable.
- 6) Implications for Programs, Policy, and/or Research: Please provide a brief description of why this information is important, relevant, and current for the work we are doing (approx. 200 words)
  - How does your workshop integrate the voices and perspectives of PLWHA, and/or those at risk?

- Does your workshop address systemic oppression or structural racism in its presentation? If so, describe how.
- 7) Total number of speakers or panelists (please put yourself down if you are a speaker or panelist)
  - a. No more than 4 speakers
- 8) Full contact information for all speakers. All speakers must be listed, at time of workshop submission. If the person completing this submission intends to be a speaker for the workshop, please input your details again. Please make sure any speakers that you submit have been contacted and notified that you are submitting a workshop with them as a speaker. We will send out confirmation letters to all speakers directly if your workshop is accepted.

#### Please submit the following for all speakers

- a) Full Name
- b) Degree(s) (if applicable)
- c) Type of Professional License (MD, PA, RN/CRNP, LSW, LCSW, CHES, AACO)
- d) Organization
- e) Role or affiliation at Organization
- f) Mailing Address
- g) Primary Phone Number
- h) Email Address (this is required)
- 9) Primary track that this workshop falls under (select one)
- 10) Secondary track that it might fall under (select one)
- 11) What equipment will you need to present?
  - Laptop
  - Projector
  - Internet

Thank you for taking the time to submit to The HIV Prevention and Education Summit!

**Please Note:** The committee will review submissions and will select at least 20-25 workshops for this year's HIV Prevention and Education Summit. Not all submissions will result in a workshop at the Summit. The committee may ask that you modify your workshop or that you combine your knowledge and expertise into a panel with others.



PHILADELPHIA Questions? Contact CHTA chta@fight.org (215) 525-8615

<sup>\*</sup>Please Note: All rooms have a flipchart and marker. Not every room will have access to laptop or projector. If you need any of these items, please indicate your needs as specified on the form. If you do not specify your A/V needs by the deadline there is a chance they will not be offered.