Call for Presentations

The Northwest Rural Health Conference is now accepting submissions for the 2020 Annual Northwest Rural Health Conference being held at The Davenport Grand in Spokane, WA.

Through collaboration of the Washington State Department of Health State Office of Rural Health, the WWAMI AHEC Programs, the Washington Rural Health Association and the Rural Health Clinic Association of Washington this annual conference brings together a consortium of rural healthcare professionals from around the region to provide an experience that expands professional knowledge, promote partnership, and explore the new and emerging opportunities to advance rural health.

This year’s theme is:

**Rural Values: Shaping Care – Inspiring Success**

The Northwest Rural Health Conference brings together rural healthcare professionals and subject matter experts from the field to collaborate, educate, and brainstorm innovative ways to bring quality care to our rural communities.

We are encouraging the submission of abstracts relevant to the theme and current or emerging rural health issues.

Submit via the on-line submission form by **January 15th, 2020**

[Submit Here]
Abstract Submission Criteria:

- All abstracts will undergo a competitive review process. Not all submissions will be chosen to present. Evaluation criteria includes:
  - Topic(s) address current policy and priorities for rural health
  - Clarity of the presentation’s purpose and goals
  - Abstracts must include a concise title and clearly list primary presenter and co-authors.
  - Abstracts must not exceed 500 words and must be in English
  - Relevance of the topic to the conference audience and themes.

Target Audiences are rural:
- Health care professionals,
- Hospital and clinic administrators,
- Emergency Medical Service (EMS) agencies,
- Public Health Officers,
- Home health and hospice teams,
- Federal and state agencies,
- Policy makers, state and local leaders,
- Board members,
- Academics and researchers,
- Students,
- Community members

Themes cover rural:
- Policy and rural health advocacy,
- Quality improvement initiatives,
- Financial stability and billing updates,
- Patient safety and satisfaction,
- Care management,
- Equity and access to care,
- Technology and innovation,
- Workforce and leadership development,
- Health and workforce research,
- Recruitment and retention,
- Population and community health,
- Integrated Behavioral Health,
- Integrated Oral Health,
- Health Education

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING AUTHOR OBLIGATIONS BEFORE SUBMITTING AN ABSTRACT

If your submission is accepted for presentation, you agree to the following:

- Primary author must attend the conference and offer the presentation. Each accepted abstract qualifies for one primary speaker complimentary registration.

- Additional authors may co-present, but are not required to attend the conference. If additional authors wish to attend, they must register at the membership rate.

- Authors will be notified by February 17th, 2020 of their status (ACCEPTED, ALTERNATE or DECLINED).

We regret that a limited number of presentation slots are available; the organizers will not be able to schedule all submissions into the 2020 program.
ABSTRACT SUBMISSION FORM

To be considered, abstract submissions must include all the information requested in the on-line form. Titles and presenter names do not count toward the 500 word abstract limit. The abstract form will collect:

**Primary Author/Presenter** information

**Co-Authors** (if any) names, titles, organizations, and email addresses

**Presentation Title**

**Abstract** (500 words max)

**Description:** What is the main topic and what is the goal of this presentation?

**Target Audience and Relevance:** Who will find this topic of interest? How is it relevant to the conference attendees or theme?

**Key Learning Objectives:** (List at least three measurable learning objectives)

**Duration:** 1 hour

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