



Arkansas Chapter
National Association of Social Workers
Annual Conference
April 4-6, 2012



Shoot for the Moon

Social Work:

Limitless Possibilities



Call for Presentations

The NASW/Arkansas Annual Conference Planning Committee is seeking evidence based, skill-building workshops focusing on effective assessment and treatment approaches and techniques for the 2012 Annual State Conference that will be held at the Arlington Hotel and Spa in Hot Springs. Special attention will be given to workshops that present information on working with diverse populations and to those that incorporate the NASW Standards of Practice, NASW Clinical Indicators, and/or policies from Social Work Speaks.

Submissions should fall under one of the following areas:

Behavioral & Mental Health
Social Work Education
Professional/Career
Health/Medical
Community
Child, Family & Schools
Aging/Disabilities

We are especially, but not exclusively, interested in the following topics:

Motivational interviewing
HIV/AIDS related mental health training and research
Autism, PDD
Children
Mental Health
Suicide/Teen Depression
Brain/Neurology
Assessment tools
Substance Use
Veterans & Military
Culturally Adapted Social Work Practice
Psychopharmacology
Alternative Healing Methods vs. Western Medicine
Social Workers in Primary Health
Using NASW Standards of Practice to develop professional competency

Proposals should incorporate the theme of the conference and include adequate information for judgment through a peer-reviewed process.

The submissions will be evaluated on the following points:

- ◇ Grounded in social work theory or practice base
- ◇ Well-organized and relates to clearly stated learning objectives
- ◇ Offers opportunities for attendees to develop competency and build or enhance practice skills
- ◇ Timely and relevant for micro, mezzo or macro practice, policy or research
- ◇ Applicable tools and techniques are included in the presentation
- ◇ Incorporates findings relative to current practice approaches
- ◇ Incorporates the NASW Standards of Practice, NASW Clinical Indicators, and/or policies from Social Work Speaks

The review process is anonymous and includes several reviewers per proposal.

Submission Requirements & Important Information

Submission Requirements:

Completed proposals shall be submitted to NASW/AR by email only. Proposals shall be emailed to naswar@naswar.org. Presentations mailed to the NASW/AR offices will not be considered.

Proposals submitted for the 2012 Annual Conference must provide complete contact information (name **including credentials**, title, organization, phone number and email address) for all presenters. **This information must be submitted on a separate page from the seminar information.** Presentations with identifying information in the actual proposal attachment will not be reviewed.

Each proposal must include:

- ◇ 2 key words,
- ◇ a 50 word abstract,
- ◇ at least three (3) clearly stated learning objectives
- ◇ a 500 word proposal for consideration.
- ◇ First and second preferences for presentation day and time. Available days, times and length of seminars are as follows:

Wednesday, 1:00 – 4:00 pm, 3 hour presentations

Thursday, 1:30 – 5:00 pm, 1 ½ hour or 3 hour presentations

Friday, 8:30 am – 11:30 am, 3 hour presentations

Friday, 1:30 - 3:30 pm, 2 hour presentations

Presenters will be admitted to other sessions without charge on the day of their presentation. If you wish to attend sessions on additional days the normal conference rate will apply. Travel and per diem expenses are to be borne by the presenter(s).

While NASW/AR will make every effort to accommodate the scheduling needs of its presenters, the specific placement of presentations cannot be guaranteed. Presenters submitting proposals for presentation agree to block out the full conference dates in their calendar to ensure availability in the event of scheduling changes and further agree to make every effort to accommodate the date and time assigned to them for presentation.

Please pencil April 4-6, 2012 into your calendar

Audio/Visual Equipment

NASW/AR will provide a podium, power point projector and screen in each breakout room.

As a service to the profession and the association, presenters are expected to furnish their own laptops for presentations. Internet access is not furnished for session rooms. Individuals wishing to purchase internet access or rent other equipment may do so at their own expense through the hotel AV company (contact information will be given if your proposal is chosen).

Handouts

NASW/AR will provide the appropriate number of handouts for each workshop session. Handouts must be limited to no more than 20 single pages. Presenters are asked to provide an electronic version of their handouts in a PDF, Power-Point or a Word document format. The deadline to submit handouts, if your proposal is accepted, is **March 15, 2012**. Please email handouts to naswar@naswar.org

Please read the above information carefully before submitting your proposal.

If you have any questions, please contact us at naswar@naswar.org.

Deadline for Proposals

All proposals must be submitted no later than **December 1, 2011**.