Call for Abstracts for Oral and Poster Presentations

The Kansas Public Health Association is now accepting abstracts for the 73rd annual KPHA conference to be held at the DoubleTree by Hilton, Wichita, Kansas, September 20 - 21, 2016. This year's theme is:

**Advocating for the Health of All Kansans**

Submission Deadline: Abstracts are to be submitted no later than noon, Friday, March 4, 2016. No exceptions will be made for late submissions.

Benefits of Presenting:
- Enhance your professional visibility
- Gain valuable knowledge from national, state and local public health experts
- Shape the future of the public health profession
- Network with your public health colleagues from across the state
- Share your own knowledge and solutions

Selection Criteria - All submissions will be judged on the following criteria:
- Overall quality
- Relevance to the public health profession
- Timeliness of topic
- Audience appeal
- Well-defined focus of presentation
- Application of the material
- Professional background and speaking experience of the presenter(s)

Advocacy Strand: With the theme of this year's conference being “Advocating for the Health of All Kansans”, the program will feature a strand focused on health advocacy. If this is an area of interest, experience, and expertise, consider submitting an abstract with an advocacy focus.

Abstract Notification: All presenters will be notified via email of abstract status on Friday, April 8. If accepted for presentation, you are giving permission for this abstract to be printed in conference materials.

Presenters Registration and Membership to KPHA: You do not need to be a KPHA member to submit an abstract. If your abstract is selected as an oral or poster presentation, the presenting author(s) MUST become a KPHA member and register for the conference. A special one-day registration option will be available for presenters who want to attend the conference only on the day they present.

You can become a KPHA member at [http://www.kpha.us/application](http://www.kpha.us/application). Kansas is also one of four state affiliates of the American Public Health Association (APHA) that offers you the opportunity to join KPHA and APHA for a reduced membership. To learn more, go to [https://www.apha.org/become-a-member/joint-apha-affiliate-membership-pilot](https://www.apha.org/become-a-member/joint-apha-affiliate-membership-pilot).

If you have questions regarding membership, please contact: Mary T. Hynek at mhynek@kumc.edu.

Session presenters are NOT reimbursed for registration or expenses to attend the conference.
**Session Types/Format:** You will be asked to choose a presentation style: Oral or Poster. The conference planning committee however has the final decision on the format for speaker presentations (breakout session/oral or poster presentation).

1. Oral presentations are given as part of 60-minute breakout sessions.
2. Poster presentations occur in one 45-minute poster session on the morning of Wednesday, September 21, 2016.

*Note: There will be Internet available for presentations.*

**Abstract Requirements:** Abstracts for presentations or posters must be less than 250 words. Submissions may be related to the conference theme “Advocating for the Health of All Kansans” or to other public health related topics.

**Instructions for Proposal Submission:**

(Proposals due Friday, March 4, 2016)

Abstract submission is done via a website form at [http://www.wichita.edu/conferences/kpha](http://www.wichita.edu/conferences/kpha). Click on the link in the grey box to submit your abstract. When individuals hit the submit abstract button the system will automatically send the primary author a copy of the submission. Incomplete proposals will not be considered. If you have any questions or cannot submit your proposal electronically please feel free to call Teruko Mitchell, Conference Registrar, Wichita State University, 1845 Fairmount, Wichita, KS 67260-0136, (316) 978-6493, conference.office@wichita.edu.

1. **Title of Presentation:** ____________________________________________________________

2. **Preferred Presentation Style:** Oral Presentation  Poster Presentation

3. **Abstract:** (maximum 250 words)

4. **Primary Author (This will be the point of contact for all questions and correspondence related to this presentation)**

   First Name: ___________________________  Last Name: ___________________________

   Professional Degree(s), Licenses or Certifications (MS, MA, RN, LPN, LSCSW, etc.):

   __________________________________________________________

   **Job Title:** ____________________________________________

   **Organization Affiliation:** ____________________________________________

   **Phone:** ____________________________  **Email:** ____________________________

   Public Health Practitioner  Academic Researcher  Student
5. Additional Author(s)

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First Name: ___________________________ Last Name: __________________________

Professional Degree(s), Licenses or Certifications (MS, MA, RN, LPN, LSCSW, etc.):

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First Name: ___________________________ Last Name: __________________________

Professional Degree(s), Licenses or Certifications (MS, MA, RN, LPN, LSCSW, etc.):

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Organization Affiliation: ___________________________

Indicate if there are more than 3 authors: _______

6. Please check which of the authors listed below will be presenting at the conference.

Primary Author  Author 2  Author 3  Author 4+

7. Session Description (Not to exceed 600 characters)

This is separate from the 250-word abstract and will appear in the promotional online brochure that will be used by attendees to learn what information will be shared with them.

8. Learning Objectives (For Oral Presentations Only)

List three clear, concise and measureable learning objectives that describe what the participant will learn by attending this session. Objectives should describe the knowledge, skills and/or aptitudes the participant will be able to demonstrate by the session conclusion.

Learning Objective 1:

Learning Objective 2:

Learning Objective 3:

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