# 3rd Annual Northwest Environmental Health Conference: Bridging Research, Practice, and Policy

# CALL FOR PRESENTERS

Deadline for Submissions: November 12, 2010 Notification of Acceptance: November 30, 2010

The Northwest Environmental Health Conference Planning Team is accepting abstracts for presentations at our 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Conference to be held in Portland, Oregon, February 11, 2011. The goal of the conference is to increase the knowledge of participants about environmental health issues, engage and activate participants, and strengthen our environmental health community through networking. Presenters who are health care professionals, public health, environmental and occupational health managers, healthcare procurement specialists, and program managers from community-based organizations are encouraged to submit proposals.

#### **CONFERENCE TRACKS & TOPICS OF INTEREST**

We seek abstracts that focus on specific strategies to be implemented by health professionals to address and integrate environmental health considerations into their practice and policy work. Case study presentations are encouraged. Submissions should clearly relate to one of the following track: 1) Green Chemistry; 2) Built Environment; 3) Obesity; 4) Environmental Justice & Sustainability; 5) Integrative Healthcare. However, if you have an innovative project or topic that does not quite fit into any of these categories, please submit it. First consideration will go to projects that are unique, innovative, or otherwise new material.

The tracks for the 2011 Northwest Environmental Health Conference are:

- **1. Emerging Science & Research**: Presentations that address new and innovative research on environmental factors affecting human health.
- 2. **Direct Practice & Real World Applications:** Presentations that describe programs that engage, directly affect, and/or are led by members within a community or procedures and protocols that nurses, doctors, and other health care professionals are taking to integrate issues of health, environment, and safety into facilities and practices.
- 3. **Policy & Future Directions:** Presentations that address federal, state, county, local, or organizational policies and initiatives about environmental health issues and concerns.

#### **SUBMISSION OPTIONS**

Sessions are 75 minutes in length, with 15 minutes reserved for questions, answers, and audience discussion. Submission options for the Environmental Health Conference are:

- Individual presentation Individual presentations are recommended for the *Direct Practice and Real World Application* track. Up to two presenters are permitted per presentation and most likely two presentations will be scheduled per session. Presenters should be prepared to complete their presentations within 30 minutes.
- Panel presentation Panel presentations (comprised of three panelists) are recommended for the
   *Emerging Science and Research* and the *Policy and Future Directions* tracks. Panelists should be
   prepared to complete their portion of the presentation within 20 minutes.
- Poster presentation Posters which align with the above identified track themes and topics are invited. We are especially interested in current research (students welcome), case studies, and

community-based projects. Posters will be offered for view during the entire conference and will be staged so that participants can view them during breaks and lunch.

# **SELECTION CRITERIA**

# Topic:

- The topic is consistent with the conference theme/sub-themes and is compelling.
- The topic has current relevance and presents new information, a new application, or a fresh perspective on existing knowledge.

#### **Textual Features of the Abstract:**

- The abstract is well organized, concise, and clearly written.
- The abstract has clear, worthy and measurable objectives.

# Impact:

- The presentation illustrates the potential to improve knowledge and provides innovative, state-of-the-art, and/or state-of-the-science information.
- The author(s) indicate(s) the potential value/contributions of the presentation to science/society.

### THE SUBMISSION PROCESS

The Northwest Environmental Health Conference Proposal Team will review and evaluate proposals for individual merit and in comparison with other proposals. The review period will begin after the proposal deadline. We will contact you no later than the notification date to inform you whether your submission has been accepted.

Proposals must be submitted electronically to <a href="mailto:nwehc@oeconline.org">nwehc@oeconline.org</a> . Only complete submissions will be considered.

# **Proposal Review Schedule:**

Proposals Due: November 12, 2010 Submitters Notified: November 30, 2010 Completed presentations due: February 1, 2011

<u>Please note that you must register for the conference separately.</u> Registration opens November 8, 2010. Early registration rates apply through December 17, 2010. Registration fees with be waived for one presenter per individual presentation, and for three presenters per panel discussion. Instructions for registering with a fee waiver will be provided when we notify you your proposal has been accepted. Presenters desiring CE credits will be required to pay the associated fees.

Thank you for your interest in presenting at the conference.

We look forward to seeing you in Portland, Oregon!









# **APPLICATION FOR PRESENTATION PROPOSALS**

Please prepare presentation proposals to include the following information and submit proposals electronically by <b>November 12, 2010</b> to: <a href="mailto:nwehc@oeconline.org">nwehc@oeconline.org</a>			
TRACK: Emerging Science and Research Direct Practice & Real World Applications Policy & Future Directions			
TITLE:			
<b>ABSTRACT:</b> Description as you would like it to appear on the web and in the conference program. Please describe your session in 100 words or less (including what you will present, how, and what participants will do):			
<b>LEARNING OBJECTIVES</b> : Describe how this session supports the conference theme, selected track, and what participants will learn. List 3 most important objectives, and describe the specific methods you will use. If there are multiple presenters, describe what each presenter will uniquely contribute to the session. (One sentence per objective; 300-words maximum total)			
SESSION FORMAT: (Lecture, Case Study, Interactive Workshop, Multi-media, Other - Describe)			
SUBMISSION CATEGORY Individual presentation  Depending on the quantity and compatibility of submissions, you may be asked to present in a pane format. Is this something you would consider?Yes No Panel presentation Poster Presentation			
PRESENTER 1 (this is the Primary presenter to be contacted with questions)			
NAME: CREDENTIALS: ORGANIZATION: ADDRESS: CITY: STATE: ZIP CODE: COUNTRY: PHONE: FAX: Email: SPEAKING EXPERIENCE:			
<b>BIO OF PRESENTER</b> Please provide a brief biography to be printed in the conference program (3-5 sentences; 150 word limit).			









PRESENTER 2			
NAME: CREDENTIALS: ORGANIZATION: ADDRESS: CITY: COUNTRY: PHONE: FAX: Email: SPEAKING EXPERIENCE:	STATE:	ZIP CODE:	
<b>BIO OF PRESENTER</b> Please provide brief biography to be printed in the conference program (3-5 sentences; 150 word limit).			
PRESENTER 3 (for panel submissions only)			
NAME: CREDENTIALS: ORGANIZATION: ADDRESS: CITY: COUNTRY: PHONE: FAX: Email: SPEAKING EXPERIENCE:	STATE:	ZIP CODE:	
<b>BIO OF PRESENTER</b> Please provide brief biography to be printed in the conference program (3-5 sentences; 150 word limit).			





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