

Call for Proposals

**12th Annual Conference for NYC Working Peer Specialists
At New York University's Kimmel Center
Thursday, July 19, 2018**

We are currently seeking **workshop proposals** for the 12th Annual Conference for NYC Working Peer Specialists, which will be held at the NYU Kimmel Center on Thursday, July 19, 2018.

This conference is intended **specifically for New York City Peers working in Behavioral Health and the Family and Youth fields** who wish to enhance their skills and obtain new knowledge and information. This conference will stimulate a creative and critical dialogue about career development, practices in the field and trends in health care.

We invite abstracts that reflect innovative national, state and local programs, practices, and initiatives that support the future development of the peer workforce. **All workshops are 75 minutes.**

This year we are looking for proposals that promote and teach “Tools of the Trade: Innovative Approaches to Health & Wellness.” See suggested topic areas below.

NEW THIS YEAR!

We are also looking for working Peer Specialists who would like an opportunity to spotlight their talents. Do you want to share your spoken word poetry, storytelling, rap, song, video/short film? Anything else you would like to pitch to us? Please use the Proposal Submission form to share your idea. Our stories and talents make us who we are and keep us balanced. Expressing ourselves and sharing those gifts with others is part of our self-care as well as what makes us the amazing people we are. Submissions should be related to your wellness and/or recovery journey.

**Please see attached 2018 Workshop Proposal Submission Form.
PLEASE NOTE: DEADLINE for submissions is Monday, January 8, 2018.**

SUGGESTED TOPIC AREAS

- Health and Wellness
- Culture and Cultural Considerations
- WRAP
- Compassion Fatigue
- Motivational Interviewing
- Conflict Resolution
- Self-Care
- Recovery Oriented Practices
- Professional Development
- Supervision and Coaching
- Peer Support Services
- Youth & Families
- Creativity

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Call for Proposals -- Workshop Submission Template

To submit a Workshop Proposal, please complete and save items 1-7 below as a Word document, be sure your name is on each page and that your pages are numbered. You may email the Word document, fax it, or mail it to the addresses below by close of business on **January 8, 2018**.

Proposals may be submitted by email, fax or mail:

E-mail: NYPeer@omh.ny.gov

Fax: Attn: Deborah Mizell 212-330-6359

**Or mail to: The New York State Office of Mental Health NYC Field Office
330 Fifth Ave., 9th floor New York, NY 10001**

Attn: Deborah Mizell

All workshop proposals must be received no later than close of business day on **January 8, 2018**. Be sure to keep a copy for your files.

PLEASE FILL OUT COMPLETELY! MISSING INFORMATION WILL DELAY CONSIDERATION OF YOUR PROPOSAL. You will be notified about the status of your proposal by email in early Spring 2018.

1. Presenter/Co-Presenters' contact information

Presenter (Include Name and Title):

Presenter is a peer or non-peer

Organization/Business/Employer:

Full Mailing Address/City/State/Zip:

Phone:

Cell Phone:

Email:

Co-presenter(s) (Name and Title, Organization etc):

Are your co-presenters peers or non-peers

2. Workshop Title: (or talent you are proposing)

3. Workshop Description and Objectives:

(Or talent you are proposing)

Provide up to 150 words describing the proposed workshop, particularly specific learning objectives for attendees. Please include Title, Description and a minimum of three CLEAR Learning Objectives, which should be stated as skills. For example, it is preferable to say: "Participants will be able to communicate effectively with managers and co-workers."

4. Have you presented this workshop before?

(Or talent you are proposing)

If so, please tell us where and when.

5. Biography:

Please provide a brief description of presenter(s) background and/or qualifications:

6. Presentation Aids Required:

All presentation rooms at the Kimmel Center are equipped with laptops and projectors. Do you need additional equipment?

- TV monitor, DVD player
- Flipchart

- Wi-Fi

Presenters are required to supply their own handouts.

If you are proposing a talent to present we will be getting in touch with you to demonstrate your talent or pitch your idea. We may ask you to come to an audition, we may ask for an audition video from you (if so, you can make an audition video on your phone and email it).

7. Presenter's acknowledgement of responsibilities:

I acknowledge that I understand if my proposal is accepted I am required to submit any necessary handouts, biographical information, audiovisuals, and other required information by the deadlines established by the planning committee. I will inform my assigned committee liaison of any changes to my workshop (additional co-presenters, equipment needs, etc.).

Name:

Date:

- Trauma
- Suicide Prevention
- Integration of Health and Behavioral Health
- Criminal Justice

Selection Criteria

Abstracts will be evaluated on the following criteria:

- Originality and innovation
- Clarity in description of subject matter
- Broad implications across the peer workforce experience
- Qualifications and experience on subject matter
- Clear learning objectives

Submission Process

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New York City Field Office

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New York, N.Y. 10001

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NOTE: Please complete the attached 2018 Workshop Proposal Submission form. Please be advised that incomplete proposals will delay consideration of your submission.

Peer Specialist Conference Planning Committee: The New York State Office of Mental Health, Bureau of Recipient Affairs; The New York City Dept. of Health and Mental Hygiene, Office of Consumer Affairs; Baltic Street AEH, Inc.; NYC Health +Hospitals, Office of Behavioral Health; New York Association of Psychiatric Rehabilitation Services (NYAPRS); The Coalition of Behavioral Health Agencies, Center for Rehabilitation and Recovery; Howie the Harp Peer Advocacy & Training Center; Advocacy Consultation Services

This conference promises to be an exciting and purposeful event. Your contributions are appreciated! Thank you very much for the great work you all do.