



Building and Supporting Healthy Communities for All September 16 – 18 | Baltimore, MD

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

Submission Deadline: November 8, 2019, 11:59 PM ET

At this critical moment for public health in the United States, join the Network for Public Health Law and the American Society of Law, Medicine & Ethics to share legal and policy strategies to address fundamental drivers of inequity, promote health and well-being, and save lives. We invite you to submit an abstract for an individual presentation or panel presentation at the 2020 National Public Health Law Conference, taking place September 16-18 in Baltimore, MD. We encourage submissions related to the theme *Building and Supporting Healthy Communities for All* under these conference tracks:

- **Addressing Social and Structural Barriers to Health Equity** — Topics in this track include Community Health Workers, marginalized communities, race and health, rural health, Medical-Legal Partnerships, immigration and health, and tribal health.
- **Building Healthy Environments and Climate Resiliency** — Topics include the built environment and safe neighborhoods, climate adaptation solutions, environmental justice, toxicants, water quality, safe and healthy housing, and food systems.
- **Health Policy Now** — Topics include the Affordable Care Act, cannabis, gun violence, reproductive health, mental health, opioid misuse/harm reduction, and vaccination requirements.
- **Improving Child and Adolescent Health** — Topics include access to care, adverse childhood experiences/trauma-informed care, obesity, vaping, health in schools, social and emotional learning, and injury prevention.
- **Strengthening Public Health Legal Capacity** — Topics include preemption, emergency preparedness, executive decision-making, public health authority, shared services, agency accreditation, and data sharing and privacy.

Abstract Information

- Abstracts are limited to 250 words.
- Abstracts from non-lawyers and lawyers are accepted. In addition to attorneys, researchers, and public health practitioners, professionals working in health care, social/community services, education, housing, transportation, environmental and other sectors are encouraged to submit abstracts.
- Preference will be given to abstracts that have strong law and policy components.
- Preference will be given to panels that have at least one lawyer/legal expert presenting.
- Abstracts may be submitted for an individual presentation or a panel presentation.
 - Individual presentation abstract – if selected will be placed in a panel with other related presentations or for a poster presentation.
 - Panel presentation abstract - these submissions require a panel description with three corresponding individual abstracts.
- Abstracts submitted for a panel presentation that is not accepted may be considered as an individual presentation and assigned to another panel.

- Abstracts may be submitted for oral or poster presentation. Indicate “No preference” if there is no objection to the poster format as a default.
- Panels are limited to three presenters, including a moderator.
- The time allotment for panels is usually 75 minutes, with 15-20 minutes per presenter and 15-30 minutes for Q/A.

Submission & Review Information

All abstracts for individual or panel presentations must be submitted through the collection platform, Catalyst. The author who creates a submission is the submitter. The submitter is the main point of contact for the submission and receives all communications from the Conference Planning Committee. The submitters can share the submission form with presenters/co-presenters who can edit/view abstract information.

Abstracts will be reviewed by a panel of reviewers and the Conference Planning Committee. The Committee is using a confidential, blind review process. When warranted, the Conference Planning Committee reserves the right to select only a subset of abstracts for a panel presentation or to restructure a panel. Notifications of acceptance or rejection of abstracts will be e-mailed to the designated submitter in January 2020. Presenting speakers will receive a reduced registration rate.

Instructions to Create a Submission:

1. Click on the link: <https://catalyst.omnipress.com/#collection/545/submission>
2. Click on **Create New Account** button to register an account.
3. Enter your email address, password and confirm password. Click the **Create Account** button.
 - **CATALYST will send you a “Confirm your account” email.**
 - Click on the turquoise button in your email labeled, “Confirm Account.”
 - A web page will appear stating, “Thank you for confirming your email.” Click on the Sign In button.
4. Once logged in, a turquoise box will pop up at the top of your screen indicating you have created a submission.
5. Complete all the required fields under all the tabs.
6. Click **“Save”** on the bottom right of your screen as necessary.
 - If required fields are missing data, you will see the missing data tabs indicated with a red triangle.
7. Click **“Submit”** on the bottom right of your screen when you are ready to submit your abstract.

For help or if you have questions about the submission process, contact:

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