



## **Call For Proposals: Presentation and Poster 2013 NRA Annual Training Conference Brooklyn, New York August 18–20, 2013**

### **Invitation to Present Instructions**

The National Rehabilitation Association (NRA) invites your participation in the 2013 Annual Training Conference, which will be held August 18-20, 2013, at the New York Marriott at Brooklyn Bridge, Brooklyn, New York. A number of pre-conference activities will occur on August 17, 2013.

The theme of the 2013 Annual Training Conference is *"Bridge to Employment: Breaking the Barriers for Persons with Disabilities."* All interested individuals, facilities, agencies and organizations, including NRA members and non-members, are invited to submit proposals for concurrent session presentations.

The NRA Program Committee will review and select submissions that consider the proposals' contributions to a well-balanced program of interest to the members of the NRA, who represent public and private rehabilitation agencies, community rehabilitation programs, hospitals, schools, employers, and other organizations serving the employment needs of individuals with disabilities.

Examples of proposal topics include, but are not limited to:

<b>Assessment Knowledge</b>	<b>Employment Strategies</b>	<b>Managed Care</b>
<b>Research in Rehabilitation</b>	<b>Counseling Techniques</b>	<b>Counseling Theory</b>
<b>Assistive Technology</b>	<b>Case Management</b>	<b>Rehabilitation Leadership</b>
<b>Rehabilitation Partnerships</b>	<b>Medical Developments</b>	<b>Benefits Advisement</b>
<b>School-to-Work Transition</b>	<b>Ex-Offenders</b>	<b>Vocational Evaluation</b>
<b>Affordable Care Act</b>	<b>Veterans/Wounded Warriors</b>	<b>Forensic Rehabilitation/</b>
<b>Mentally Ill/</b>	<b>Un-served/Underserved</b>	<b>Expert Witness</b>
<b>Chemically Dependent</b>	<b>International Rehabilitation</b>	<b>Projects with Industry</b>
<b>Licensure</b>	<b>One-Stops</b>	<b>Social Media</b>
<b>Wellness</b>	<b>Autism Spectrum</b>	<b>Self-Employment</b>

**Ethics\***

\*Ethics presentations based on the CRC Code of Ethics should reflect the Code and must include discussion of the Code.

Proposals for full regular presentations should be designed for concurrent sessions of one hour (1.0) to one and half hours (1.5) durations. All concurrent sessions will be set up theater or classroom style with a podium, and a screen. Any other individual AV needs is the responsibility of the presenter. Please be sure to accurately complete the AV Request included in the Call for Proposals. Sponsored speakers may want to contact their Chapters or Divisions regarding financial support for additional audio-visual equipment, such as laptop computers. We are also accepting proposals for Poster Sessions, which should permit four groups to be cycled through in one hour (four fifteen minute sessions.)

Selected presenters are responsible for all lodging, travel, additional audiovisual equipment rental, and per diem costs associated with their participation in the conference. Presenters who do not register for the conference are invited to attend other conference sessions at no cost on the day of their presentation only, but will not be eligible for continuing education credits for those sessions. Presenters who choose to participate in the entire conference will be eligible for a 20% discount on registration and continuing education credits for sessions attended.

**Review Criteria for Proposals:**

- Overall quality;
- Relevance to the field of rehabilitation;
- Well-defined focus that can be presented in a 1.0 hour or 1.5 hour format;
- Practical application of idea presented;
- Originality and timeliness of idea.
- Ethics presentations based on the CRC Code of Ethics should so indicate.

**Notification:**

- Notification of proposal inclusion will be provided to the primary presenter by May 15th, 2013

**Instructions for Proposal Submission:**

- Please use the Call for Proposals form (attached) or an exact duplicate.
- Please assure all information is clearly legible.
- Submit the **original plus two copies (only if mailed)**.
- Application must be complete.
- Do not exceed the space provided (**please do not add extra sheets except those containing presenter vita information**).
- Handouts must accompany program proposal applications. Handouts, including alternative formats for handouts, are the speakers' responsibilities to provide on-site.
- **Include a one-page resume or vita for each presenter.**

**PLEASE SUBMIT ALL PROPOSALS BY March 1st, 2013**

Questions about the program should be submitted to  
 Conference Co-Chair for Program:  
 Anthony J. Spinelli: [anthony.spinelli@ed.gov](mailto:anthony.spinelli@ed.gov)

Each proposal must be submitted to these three individuals by email:

(1) Anthony J. Spinelli: [anthony.spinelli@ed.gov](mailto:anthony.spinelli@ed.gov)

(2) Conference Co-Chair for Management:

Anthony J. LaGattuta:

[alagattuta@aol.com](mailto:alagattuta@aol.com) and

(3) NRA Administrative Assistant

Sandra Mulliner: [smulliner@nationalrehab.org](mailto:smulliner@nationalrehab.org)

(if *any* material must be mailed, please clear it with Tony Spinelli and send it to:

NY Metro Chapter of NRA, Inc.

NYU Wasserman Center

133 East 13<sup>th</sup> Street, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, NY, NY 10003, Attn: Paula Lee)

**Hotel Accommodations:**

New York Marriott at the Brooklyn Bridge

333 Adams Street

Brooklyn, New York 11201-3714

718-246-7000/888-436-3759

Hotel Room Rate: \$209 Single/Double plus 14.75% Tax

**Room rate applies from August 15<sup>th</sup> until August 19<sup>th</sup> with checkout on August 20<sup>th</sup>**

**The cut-off date for this room rate is 6pm, July 25, 2013.**

**Anyone wishing to come earlier or leave later - should call directly and as early as possible to see if the same rate is available. If you are registering just for the conference period, you can register directly at:**

<https://resweb.passkey.com/go/nrabrooklyn2013>

Attached are three pages of the CALL FOR PRESENTATION PROPOSAL FORM

electronic document [https://www.nyceda.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/01/NRA-2013-Call-for-](https://www.nyceda.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/01/NRA-2013-Call-for-Presentation.pdf)

[Presentation.pdf](https://www.nyceda.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/01/NRA-2013-Call-for-Presentation.pdf) as well as the one and a half page CALL FOR POSTER SESSION PROPOSAL FORM

electronic document

<https://www.nyceda.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/01/NRA-2013-Call-for-Poster-.pdf>

Please complete as appropriate.

Conference Website: <https://www.nyceda.org/nra-2013-annual-training-conference/>