2021 National Meeting
August 2-5, 2021

Submission Deadline: Friday, January 29, 2021
Submit at go.osu.edu/NMproposals

The Higher Education Center, in partnership with our Training Advisory Committee, is seeking proposals for this year's virtual National Meeting that reflect the best thinking in the field, informed by theory, research, and practice. This past year has been one of many challenges, making it clear that we need to think of the student more holistically and reinforce that students are intrinsically linked to the greater community in which their campus resides. In recognition of this, the theme for the 2021 National Meeting is "Stretch and Explore: Thinking Broadly to Support the Whole Student and Community." It is critical that professionals working to address alcohol and other drug misuse on campus think beyond their traditional role to ensure we are best meeting the needs of our students. Therefore, the National Meeting Planning Committee seeks program proposals that highlight three main elements that are implicit within this theme:

1. Holistic approaches that address substance misuse and supporting students in recovery. This includes strategies for collaboration with campus and community partners whose work intersects with substance misuse issues, such as mental health, interpersonal violence, etc.
2. Lessons learned through the challenges of 2020, including the impact and responses to the coronavirus pandemic, racial injustice, and the election. This also includes how campuses have successfully shifted modes of service delivery to meet the needs of their students during this time
3. External community elements such as the legalization and decriminalization of drugs and other emerging drug trends that impact students and how our work is done

The committee invites proposals that:

- Reflect innovative and cutting-edge ideas and programming within the three elements described within the theme;

- Stimulate and provoke discussion and audience engagement;
- Present best-practice implementation steps which, whenever possible, have been evaluated within an implementation science framework; and
- Target new, mid-career, and seasoned professionals

The overall program will result in a diverse array of presenters and perspectives, including different levels of expertise, varying types of experience, and a variety of institutional and organizational types.

Sessions will be delivered virtually, with the majority of sessions being pre-recorded. A handful of sessions may be selected as live sessions that will occur throughout the virtual conference taking place August 2-5, 2021. Sessions can be 20 minutes, 30 minutes, or 1 hour in length.

We also seek student research Virtual Poster presentations. Undergraduate and graduate students may submit to present a brief report on their research. These will be limited to 6-minute, 6 slide presentations.

Presenters of accepted professional proposals will be able to register at a discounted rate of $50.00. Student researchers selected for virtual poster presentations will be provided 1 free registration. All presenters are required to register for the conference

Applicants can expect a final decision by Wednesday, March 31, 2021.

Proposals can be submitted at go.osu.edu/NMproposals. When submitting, please be prepared with the following information about your submission:

- Session title
- An abstract for your session, which outlines key concepts for professional proposals and the background, methods, results, and conclusion for poster proposals
- Theory or research that supports your session
- Preferred length of session (Poster (6 min), 20 minutes, 30 minutes, or 1 hour)
- Timeline for your session, including how much time will be spent on each component
- Three learning objectives for professional proposals and one learning objective for poster proposals
- A session description that will be published for attendees (750 character limit)

Additionally, the following information for each presenter should be submitted:

- Name, Title, Organization, and Email Address

- A brief bio that will be used to introduce you (750 character limit)

- A headshot

- A resume or CV

- The completed Disclosure Statement. [Download the Disclosure Statement.](#)