



Call for Presentation Proposals

Arkansas State University Social Work Department is accepting interdisciplinary presentation proposals for the

3rd Annual Health Disparities Conference



Theme: Transforming Health Care in the Delta Region

Arkansas State University Campus, Student Union, Jonesboro, AR

November 11, 2015 8 A.M.-4 P.M.

Keynote Speaker: Barbara Ross-Lee, D.O., FACOFP is the Vice President for Health Sciences and Medical Affairs at the NYIT College of Osteopathic Medicine. Dr. Ross-Lee is a nationally-recognized expert on health policy issues and serves as an advisor for state and federal governments on primary care, medical education, and health care issues affecting minorities, women, and rural populations. A sought-after lecturer, Ross-Lee has published numerous scholarly articles on a variety of medical and health care issues. She is the recipient of six honorary degrees and many national awards.

Arkansas State University Social Work Department seeks dynamic presentations of health disparities, well initiatives, and innovative prevention strategies for communities at risk in the Delta region. Workshop sessions will be simultaneous and one to two hours in length. Each workshop proposal should incorporate best practice information, and encourage group interaction and discussion.

Presentations should focus on issues that affect health disparities in the Delta such as race, income, obesity, nutrition, economics, and HIV. The conference registration fee is ten dollars for students and fifty dollars for others. Participants can earn Continuing Education Contact hours.

Certificates will be available at the end of the conference. Free Health screenings will also be available at the conference.

Presentation Proposal Guidelines

- A. Presenter's name, title, & organization
- B. Contact information of address, telephone, & email
- C. Brief bio of the presenter
- D. Preference for workshop hours/allotted time
- E. Audio/visual equipment needed
- F. Target audience
- G. Learning objectives for workshop/Summary
- H. Method of Presentation
- I. Area of Focus
- J. Description of presentation/abstract

Abstract/ Poster Submission Form

Primary Presenter Name:

Title:

Organization:

Address:

Telephone:

Email:

Co-Presenter Name:

Title:

Organization:

Address:

Telephone:

Email:

Brief bio of presenter:

Time Slot and Length (Circle all that apply)

- A. Morning
- B. Afternoon
- C. One hour
- D. Two hours

Audio/Visual Equipment needed:

Target Audience:

Summary of Presentation Objectives: (40 words or less to be included in conference brochure)

Select Method of Presentation:

- A. Poster Presentation
- B. Work Shop/ Oral presentation
- C. Panel Discussion

Select Area of Focus:

We are actively seeking proposal that address Delta Health in the following critical areas. Please choose a category that best reflects your workshop proposal:

- 1. Health disparities in the Delta Region
- 2. Women
- 3. Race, Class, Gender, & Sexuality cross cultural perspective Poverty
- 4. Activism and advocacy
- 5. Diabetes
- 6. Ethics
- 7. Rural outreach
- 8. Religious communities
- 9. Support for Caregivers
- 10. Violence
- 11. Stigma and discrimination as it relates to service delivery
- 12. Human Right
- 13. HIV/AIDs
- 14. Obesity
- 15. Wellness
- 16. Social Detriment of Health
- 17. Nutrition

Special Call for proposals that focus on the roles and relationships of osteopathic medical education to social work education.

What are the advantages and disadvantages of social work practice and the links between osteopathic doctors and social workers in addressing health disparities in the Delta?

Presentation Abstract:

All abstracts (500-700 words) must include the following components

- 1. Background and purpose of the study

- a. Statement of the problem, including documented empirical evidence
 - b. Study objectives, research questions or hypotheses
2. Methods
- a. Research design
 - b. Sampling and data collection
 - c. Measurement and instrumentation
3. Results and Conclusions
- a. Specific outcomes and key finding
 - b. Implication for social work practice and policy regarding healthcare in the Delta Region.
 - c. Future Research and direction

Presentation proposal due date: By noon Monday, **September 28, 2015.**

Student Presentation proposal due date: By noon Monday, **September 28, 2015.**

Submit via-email to bbrooks@astate.edu or by mailing completed proposal to:
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