**2017 IRHA Annual Conference**

**Call for Presentations**

**August 9-10, 2017**

**Hilton Garden Inn- Champaign, Illinois**

**Submission Deadline March 17, 2017**

The Illinois Rural Health Association is announcing a **“Call for Presentations”** for its Annual Conference to be held August 9-10th, 2017 in Effingham. Presentations will occur the afternoon of August 9th and from 9:00 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. on August 10th.

We are planning a dynamic conference sure to spark the interest of administrators of public health departments, rural hospitals, Rural Health Clinics, academic institutions, medical schools as well as clinicians and clinical practices.

Some suggested session topics include, but are not limited to, the following:

* Best Practices: Public Health Departments, Rural Hospitals, Rural Health Clinics
* Career Directions for Graduate Students in Rural Health
* Care Coordination in Rural Communities (ACEs and CCEs)
* Changing Service Needs in Rural Communities (oral health, behavioral, etc.)
* Coding/Billing
* Collective Impact and Strategic Planning
* Collective Impact, Community and Population Health Management
* Cyber Security
* Grant-Writing Assistance for Rural Communities
* MACRA/MIPS
* Mental and Behavioral Health Needs in Rural Communities
* Post-ICD-10 Procedures
* Quality Improvement Performance Measures
* Substance Abuse Challenges in Rural Communities
* Telemedicine in Various Specialties
* Veteran’s Health Challenges in Rural Settings
* Workforce Issues & Rural Recruitment

The Illinois Rural Health Association is the only conference in the state targeted to rural health care and those interested in rural health issues including the following audiences:

* Academic researchers
* Case Coordinators
* Counselors
* EMS Personnel
* Graduate Students
* Health Educators
* Mental Health Providers
* Nurses
* Oral Health Providers
* Practice Manager
* Public Health Administrators and Staff
* Rural Health Clinic Administrators
* Rural Hospital CEO/Administrator
* Rural Mid-Level Practitioners
* Rural Physicians
* Social Workers

**Presentation Formats**

**All sessions will be allotted 50 minutes and this should include time for questions.**

***Format Options: Research Presentation, Workshop Session, Panel Discussion*** (panel discussion will include at least three individuals speaking on related topics (e.g. telemedicine projects, integrated care models, oral health in rural hospitals, etc.).

**Acceptance:** You will be notified of acceptance in April 2017. The IRHA reserves the right to combine sessions, make recommendations with respect to presenters, and to contact presenters regarding potential edits.

**If Accepted**: Submitting a proposal represents a commitment to develop and deliver a presentation that is informative, relevant and useful. Accepted presenters who plan to attend the whole conference must register for the conference and will receive the discounted rate of $150, as a small gesture of our appreciation for the hard work in preparing your presentation. Presenters who are only coming for their presentation are invited to stay for one meal and do not have to register. **Please submit proposal application below to Conference Chair Melissa Henriksen at** [**mhenriksen@niu.edu**](mailto:mhenriksen@niu.edu) **by Friday, March 17, 2017**. She can be reached by phone at 815-753-0323.

**(see next page for submission application**)

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**2017 IL Rural Health Association Conference Presentation Proposal**

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| Presentation Title: |  |

Presentation Format:

* Research Presentation
* Workshop Session
* Panel Discussion

Who is the audience for your presentation?

Please attach a detailed description of your presentation (50-100 words).

Presentation Objectives: (For example: After this presentation, participants will be able to…)

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| Audio/visual equipment needed: |  |

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I plan on attending whole IRHA Educational Conference ($150 if accepted)\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

I plan on just presenting at the IRHA Conference and staying for a meal (no cost)\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Please attach any additional presenter(s) information.