



Call for Presenters

Tropicana Community Services Men's Health and Wellness Conference

November 19th 2016

Tropicana's Centre of Excellence
1385 Huntingwood Dr.
Toronto ON M1S 3J1

We are seeking dynamic, engaging and knowledgeable presenters for the 2016 Men's Health and Wellness Conference (MHWC).

Audience

The primary conference audience consists of men of colour, and others, aged 13 – 29 years. Workshop content and instruction should be geared to a level that is appropriate for the target audience.

The MHWC audience will include middle school, high school students and men in their 20's. Many of whom experience challenges and barriers connected to socio-economic, cultural, family dynamics and pressures to participate in unhealthy practices. Your presentation's objective is to enhance the attendee's capacity to explore and topics connected to their physical health, mental/emotional health, financial health and health of their communities.

Criteria

Proposals are solicited for **50 minute presentations** that are creative, dynamic, and feature best practices in one of the following topic areas. The presentation timeframe will include introductions, presentation material, and question & answer session. Attendees should leave with specific knowledge and skills about various aspects of the topic and how it relates to their future development.

Presentations should provide attendees with educational value and refrain from promoting a specific business, product, or service; unless approved by conference staff.

MHWC presentations will explore the following topic areas through a series of large group sessions, and smaller breakout workshops over the one day event.

- Health / Wellness / Fitness
- Intrapersonal Communications / Self-serving Bias / Othering
- Education / Criminal Justice / Law
- Self-help / Social Responsibility / Communication
- Family planning / Parenting / Romantic Relationships / Sex

If you have a topic that is leading edge and within the areas of focus but is not on the list above, we encourage you to submit your idea for special consideration.

SUBMISSIONS

All information must be submitted via email by September 8th, 2016 to: Marcus McLean
mmclean@tropicalcommunity.org

Submitting the Workshop Abstract

Workshop abstracts are submitted online. You must complete a separate abstract for each distinct presentation you wish to submit by September 8, 2016.

All applicants will be notified of acceptance, regret or wait listed by September 15, 2016. Presenters are encouraged to upload a photograph and a bio at the time abstracts are submitted. Bios are limited to a maximum of 100 words. The goal of the presenter bio is to provide us with a high-level view of your career and your major accomplishments. Photographs and presenter bios will be included in our marketing materials.

Bio Guidelines

- Full name, current job title and organization's name
- Description of your role in the organization and the products/services it provides
- Highlights from your career as it relates to your current position
- Key civic activities and personal interests
- Degrees, certifications, awards, honours and authored publications

Photo Guidelines

- High resolution 300 dpi JPEG file
- Cropped head to shoulder in a medium close up shot

Company Logo Guidelines

- High resolution 300 dpi JPEG file

Submitting the Full Presentation

Upon acceptance, a *Men's Health and Wellness Conference* Power Point Presentation template will be provided (if needed) for the creation of your workshop presentation to be delivered at the conference. Also, a speaker agreement and disclosure form will be given.

PowerPoint Presentations should be submitted to Marcus McLean
mmclean@tropicalcommunity.org The reference line should read "2016 MHWC Presentation (Your Name)":

- Presentations should be submitted no later than **October 17th, 2016**.
- Presentations should be saved with the following naming convention: Current Year, Underscore, Workshop Title, Underscore, First Initial and Last Name. Example: *2016_Getting Healthier_JDoe*.

Presentations that do not meet the aforementioned requirements or the submission deadline will be automatically wait-listed.

PRESENTER HONOURARIUMS

Honourarium will be provided to all presenters, please include full name and billing address for whom payments should be made to.

WORKSHOP FORMATS

A variety of workshop presentation formats are desirable at the conference and may include lecture format, panel presentation, or roundtable discussions. Handouts may be appropriate, depending on the complexity of the topic. **Presenters are responsible for providing copies of workshop handouts and any equipment that will be used during presentation this includes laptops or iPads** (*unless arrangements have been made prior to the conference*).

Please note if selected to present a small group break-out session, you will be asked to deliver the same presentation four (4) times during the day of the conference.

KEY DATES

Abstract Submission Due: September 15th, 2016

Acceptance/Regret/Wait listed Notification Sent: September 22nd, 2016

Full Presentation Due: October 22nd, 2016