Pre-Convention Professional Development Workshops

Pre-Convention PD Workshop - Half Day - (3 CE Credits)

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The CPA will be providing support of up to $1000 per PcPDW. This funding is intended solely to reimburse eligible expenses related to presenter travel and accommodation. Additional expenses (e.g., speaker fees or honoraria) are the responsibility of the workshop organizer and/or sponsoring Section. To inquire about sponsorship for your PcPDW, please contact the appropriate CPA Section(s) at: https://cpa.ca/aboutcpa/cpasections/

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Pre-Convention PD Workshop - Full Day - (6 CE Credits)

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Regular Program Submissions

Discussion Forum (25 minutes)

A Discussion Forum is intended for sharing, exploring and stimulating thoughts and ideas about an issue/topic/case, a program or intervention, or for brainstorming alternative approaches to research, practice, education, and/or policies.

Each Discussion Forum is submitted by a leader who is expected to provide a clear but brief summary (15 minutes maximum) of the core issues, ideas or approaches, interventions, etc. to be shared and explored. In addition, the leader is expected to inspire participants into sharing and engaging with each other and with the forum topic (minimum 10 minutes).

A submission for a Discussion Forum must include the following: a statement of the critical issues, ideas or approaches, interventions, etc. to be shared and explored; a statement of why these issues, ideas, etc. are of current interest and appropriate for brainstorming; and a description of methods to be used for encouraging participants to share and engage with the forum topic and with each other.

Discussion Forum submissions intended for presenting/discussing empirical research will not be considered.

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Gimme-5 (5 minutes)

The GIMME-5 is a method for sharing information in a spoken/visual format in a succinct manner, and for creating interest in a project or program. A GIMME-5 can be used for presenting empirical research, or for highlighting the need for/development of impact or evaluation of a program, policy or intervention.

Each GIMME-5 is allocated a total of 5-minutes (e.g., 4-minutes for a spoken presentation and 1-minute for questions), and each is permitted a maximum of 3 slides. To be effective, a GIMME-5 presentation needs to focus on what is critical, and it needs to be delivered in a stimulating and thought-provoking manner. GIMME-5 sessions are created by including at least 8 individual GIMME-5 presentations.

A submission for a GIMME-5 should include the following information: the rationale for the study/studies or program/policy or intervention; the method of the study/studies or the approach employed for the program/policy or evaluation; a summary of analyses, results and conclusions; and an overview of actions, recommendations, or impacts that occurred or that will be implemented or evaluated.

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Printed Poster (55 minutes)

Posters -- in print format -- are the most appropriate and efficient method for presenting empirical research. A poster title should inform one about the results of a study or studies or speak to the effectiveness or impact of a policy/program or intervention.

Posters should make use of pictures and diagrams, and they should use words/text sparingly.

A submission for a poster presentation should include the following information: the rationale for the study/studies or program/policy or intervention; the method of the study/studies or the approach employed for the program/policy; a summary of analyses or evaluations that were conducted; a summary of the results and the conclusions that follow from them; and an overview of actions, recommendations, or impacts that were made, implemented or evaluated.

Information on the orientation of the posters (portrait; landscape), size of the posters, etc. will be provided upon acceptance of a submission.

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Professional Development Workshop (85 minutes)

Offered during the Convention days of May 31st -June 2nd, Professional Development Workshops (PDWs) are intended for the same purpose and have the same requirements as Pre-Convention Professional Development Workshops (PcPDWs).

PDWs are presented by an individual or a group and are intended to have a clearly defined practical, experiential, and/or demonstrational component. PDWs are intended to be participatory events where delegates engage and interact with each other. Led by a presenter or presenters with widely acknowledged expertise and experience in the topic area, each workshop should focus on ensuring that participants leave the workshop with at least 3 tangible new skills, tools, and/or techniques (i.e., learning outcomes). Thus, good PDWs are innovative, interactive, inclusive, integrative, developmental, provocative, logistically sound, and provide both novice and experienced psychologists with an opportunity to continue their professional development.

In contrast to PcPDWs, a total of only 85 minutes will be allocated to each PDW (with 75 minutes for the workshop and 10 minutes for set-up and tear-down).

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12-Minute Talk (12 minutes)

The 12-Minute Talk format is intended for making a detailed report about a series (more than 2) of empirical studies or a complex program or intervention. This format is familiar to those from other conferences where it goes by names such as "talk" or "oral presentation".

Each 12-minute Talk is allocated 10-minutes for presentation and 3-minutes for questions. This format is reserved for sharing information about a complex issue, series of studies or an involved program or intervention.

The convention program can accommodate only a small number of 12-Minute Talks; thus, choose this option only if it is clearly impossible to present your work either as a printed poster or as a GIMME-5.

A submission for a 12-Minute Talk should include the following information: the empirical and theoretical context and rationale for the studies or program/policy or intervention; the general method of the studies or the approach employed for the program/policy or evaluation; a summary of analyses, results and conclusions; and an overview of actions, recommendations, or impacts that occurred or that will be implemented or evaluated.

All 12-Minute Talk submissions will be grouped into sessions that are organized around a specific theme or topic area. To ensure that each 12-Minute Talk submission is included in an appropriate thematic session, each submission must include informative descriptors. To ensure your submission is arranged into an appropriate session, choose descriptors that are specific and informative.

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Symposium (55 minutes)

A symposium is a format for delivering a series of Spoken Presentations that focus on the same topic. Each symposium is expected to include a moderator/convenor (5 minutes); overall title and abstract; and 3 presenters (15 minutes each) each with an accompanying title and abstract. Symposium convenors have the option of including a Discussant.

Each symposium is created and submitted by one person, called the symposium convenor (or moderator). The convenor/moderator can function in one of three manners: convenor/moderator only, presenter of one of the Spoken Presentations, or symposium discussant. Symposia presenters can be from the same or different countries.

A submission for a symposium must include the following:

•   an abstract of the symposium with the following information: a brief description of the symposium topic; a statement of what makes this topic novel, contentious, or pertinent to the Convention; and a clear statement of how each presenter will offer a unique approach/perspective to the proposed topic.

•   – for each presenter – an abstract with the same information as required for a Spoken Presentation submission (empirical and theoretical context and rationale for the study or program/policy or intervention; the general method of the study or the approach employed for the program/policy or evaluation; a summary of the issue or analyses/, results/ conclusions; and an overview of actions, recommendations, or impacts that occurred or that will be implemented or evaluated).

A total of 60 minutes will be allocated for each symposium.

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