



Call for Speakers

Healthcare Preparedness Focus

The Vermont Division of Emergency Preparedness, Response and Injury Prevention is actively seeking speakers for its 2019 Vermont Healthcare and EMS Preparedness Conference held October 31-November 3, 2019 at the Hilton Burlington in Burlington, Vermont. Healthcare Preparedness topics will be primarily scheduled on Thursday, October 31, but some will be scheduled during the other days of the conference.

The conference looks to offer attendees excellent presentations relevant to healthcare and public health emergency preparedness, response and recovery. Successful submissions will focus on those topic areas.

Speakers should be dynamic presenters of a professional caliber and have previous speaking or teaching experience. All presentations will be allotted one hour for presentation including questions. The conference planning committee will review all submitted proposals and select those that best meet conference objectives. Preferential selection will be given with consideration of the following elements:

- Educators who submit multiple topics
- Topics aligning with Medical Surge, Continuity of Care/Crisis Standards of Care and real world events/exercises
- Topics capable of aligning to the HPP program capabilities

It is strongly encouraged that presenters submit at least two session proposals.

For more information see:

- <https://www.phe.gov/preparedness/planning/hpp/reports/documents/2017-2022-healthcare-pr-capabilities.pdf>

All selected speakers will receive an honorarium of \$100 per session and a free conference registration. Speakers selected for at least two sessions (or at the discretion of conference organizers), will receive, in addition, airfare and ground transportation or mileage (with approval by conference organizers); one night's hotel accommodation; and per diem.

Presentation Content

The conference committee is actively seeking presentation proposals for:

- Keynote/ General Sessions (60 mins), or
- Educational Breakout Sessions (60 mins), or
- Skills Lecture/Practice (60 mins)

Approximate Timelines

- Presentation online application opens: May 15, 2019
- Presentation proposals due: June 30, 2019
- Speaker Agreements sent to selected speakers by: August 1, 2019
- Speakers not selected will be notified by: August 15, 2019
- Speaker Agreements signed and returned: September 1, 2019



- Continuing education forms completed and returned: September 1, 2019*
- Presentations due to conference organizers: October 21, 2019**
 - *If requested by conference organizers
 - **Required for all conference sessions

All proposals must be submitted by June 30, 2019. Proposals should be submitted online through <http://www.vtemsconference.com/speaker-application.html>.

All individuals who submitted proposals will be notified by August 15 regarding the status of their proposal. **Please add joanneh@allclearmg.com and info@vtemsconference.com to your safe senders list to ensure you receive communication regarding your speaker submission.** Questions related to the Vermont EMS and Healthcare Preparedness Conference or speaker submission can be directed to JoAnne Huie at info@vtemsconference.com.