

2015



THE NETWORK FOR
SOCIAL WORK MANAGEMENT



Social Work Management: Impacting Communities and Changing Lives

26th Annual Conference of the Network for Social Work Management Call for Proposals

The Network for Social Work Management brings together managers, researchers, educators, practitioners, and emerging leaders from multiple disciplines to advance new knowledge and innovative practice for the 21st century health and human services.

This year's theme challenges us to think about the critical role social work managers play in lives of communities and individuals. Rising diversity along with disparities compels inclusive excellence, attention to human rights, adaptive leadership and innovative practices.

In light of this dynamic landscape, we invite you to present at the 26th annual conference.

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June 4 & 5, 2015

Howard University, Washington DC, USA

All proposals should explicitly connect to one of the areas below:

- **Practice** – Describe an innovative or exemplary practice or program, using case study, narrative, demonstration, or technical report. Presentations that address management challenges and collaborative solutions are encouraged.
- **Research** - Report original research, based on the systematic collection and analysis of data including program evaluations and pilot data.
- **Theory** – Papers that reflect upon a systematic body of literature or systems of thought, including implications for research, policy, or practice.

- **Teaching** – Papers that present innovative teaching/training practices for social work management and leadership.

Conference Themes (All proposals should reflect one of the Conference Themes below.)

- Addressing disparities, discrimination, social justice and human rights
- Community transformation focusing on areas such as:
 - Urban Gentrification
 - Economic realities
 - “Old” vs. “new” neighbors
 - The new poor
 - Politics and power at the community level
 - Agency strategies with new populations
 - Criminal Justice
 - School to prison pipeline
 - Racial disproportionality
 - Re-entrants and community resources
 - Collateral consequences of incarceration
- Effective advocacy, civic engagement and stakeholder mobilization
- Effective approaches to workforce development, including recruitment, retention, career ladders and promotion
- Effective interdisciplinary, interprofessional and intergenerational programming for 21st century health and human services
- Fostering inclusive excellence: diversification of the workforce, creating culturally responsive workplaces, promoting effective cultures and climates
- Managers as change leaders: effective models of organizational transformation
- Technology enhanced tools for effective management
- The Affordable Care Act: implications for innovative management such as care coordination, financing, managed care, health homes, interprofessional collaboration

Proposals are invited in the following formats:

60-Minute Workshops: Workshops are designed to introduce the audience to a particular skill or practice. Workshops may include demonstrations and time for skill practice and acquisition. Workshop proposals include a 200-word abstract specifying the aim of the workshop and practical skills it will teach, techniques applied, and optimal number of participants.

60-Minute Panels: Panel presentations present a series of up to three papers designed to explore an overall theme with multiple related perspectives and several experts. The panel is organized by a primary presenter who will introduce the topic and panel members. Panel presentations proposals include the theme of the panel, a 200-word abstract of the panel as a whole, the names

and contact information of all proposed presenters, and a 200-word abstract for each panelist's presentation.

Individual 20-minute Presentations of a Paper: These are 15-minute presentations followed by 5 minutes for questions and discussion. The presentations will be grouped by topic area so each session will include up to three individual presentations. Proposals for individual presentations will include a 200-word abstract of the presentation specifying the presentation topic and primary content that will be discussed.

Poster Sessions: Poster sessions are an effective forum for the exchange of information and a means to communicate ideas, research, and programs. Poster session participants place materials such as pictures, data, graphs, diagrams and narrative text on boards that are usually 4' x 8'. During their assigned time periods, participants informally discuss their presentations with conference attendees.

Proposals may be submitted online by clicking on this link: [NSWM Proposal Submission](http://www.cvent.com/events/nswm-26th-annual-conference-june-4-5-2015-call-for-proposals/event-summary-4d90c6185581472fbd0687a83607a81b.aspx) by **February 16, 2015**. If this link does not work, copy and paste this URL into your browser: (<http://www.cvent.com/events/nswm-26th-annual-conference-june-4-5-2015-call-for-proposals/event-summary-4d90c6185581472fbd0687a83607a81b.aspx>). Notifications of acceptance will be made by **March 16, 2015**. If you have any questions about submissions, please email the Program Committee at info@socialworkmanager.org.

PROPOSALS ARE DUE FEBRUARY 16, 2015

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