

2018 Community Health Institute Call for Presentation Abstracts

The League's Annual Community Health Institute (CHI) takes place this year from Wednesday, May 16 to Friday, May 18, 2018 at the **Sea Crest Beach Hotel in Falmouth**. It features leadership development and educational sessions geared to a broad range of health center staff, including executive, clinical, financial, technical, operations, human resources and administrative. The Institute focuses on the programmatic, operational and health policy and regulatory issues affecting community health centers and their patients. The Institute's program is designed to share both the "how to" and the "future challenges" for community health centers. The conference attracts over 200 health center staff from executive, medical, clinical, fiscal and administrative fields.

We are accepting abstracts for presentations at the conference varying in length from 40 – 60 minutes. While the content needs to be solid, the style of presentation can vary. In our review of proposed presentations, the League reserves the right to ask you to join with others as part of the actual session.

Submitting an abstract for presentation, should it be accepted by the League, indicates your commitment to develop and deliver content that is relevant, informative and helpful for the community health center audience.

Timeline

December 12	Release of "Call for Presentation Abstracts"
January 16	Abstract due electronically to the League Send to: dmccauley@massleague.org
February 5	Acceptance and confirmation submitted to the League
March 30	Speaker changes must be sent to dmccauley@massleague.org
May 8	Final presentation materials submitted to the League
May 16 - 18	Presentation at the League's Community Health Institute SEA CREST BEACH HOTEL, 350 Quaker Road, North Falmouth, MA

Suggested Topic Areas

Addressing Social Determinants of Health

Optimizing the use of Health Information Systems and Technology, including Clinical Decision Making and Data Management

*Massachusetts' ACOs and Payment Reform: Early Trends, Care Coordination, Managing Risk
Special Population Initiatives – Veterans, PACE, Health Care in Housing, Substance Use
Board and Community Leadership Roles*

Clinical Leadership - Special Projects, Management System, Models of Care

Oral Health - Quality Improvement, Coordination with Primary Care, Access

Quality Improvement Best Practices, Collaboratives, Research Initiatives

Integration of Clinical Services - Behavioral Health, Oral Health, Pharmacy, etc.

Primary Care Teambuilding – Systems of Care, Strategies and Development

Public Health Strategies and Population Based Care Initiatives

Health Care Linkage for Those Recently Released from Correctional Institutions

*Emergency Management and Surveillance – Lessons Learned, Community Partnerships,
Business Continuity Models*

Staff Recruitment and Retention Challenges, Best Practices, Models

Strategic Change – Growth, Scope Expansion, Mergers and Acquisitions

Additional topics or content that you believe would be relevant and helpful to CHCs are welcome!

Proposal Selection

Proposals will be reviewed by a committee and selected based on the following criteria:

1. Overall quality and relevance
2. Subject interest
3. Presenters' expertise on the subject matter
4. Topic balance within the overall program
5. Ability to meet guidelines for continuing education credits

Selection Process

Submit your proposal by Friday, January 16 by email, dmccauley@massleague.org

You will receive an automatic confirmation of your submission. Keep this confirmation in your files. Each submission will initially be reviewed by conference planning staff.

Notification

You will be notified on the status of your submission by Monday, February 5. Additional instructions will be sent once the proposal has been accepted.

The League reserves the right to propose combining sessions, to make decisions with respect to presenters and to edit your abstract for promotional purposes.

If Accepted

All presenters are responsible for their own travel and hotel arrangements. Travel expenses are not covered for registered presenters. Registration fees will be waived for the day of your presentation. All presenters must be listed on the submitted presentation proposal.

The League must receive all speaker names and a brief bio sketch for each, including affiliations and contact information, with your abstract submission. A lead contact for a presentation should be designated. It is your responsibility to contact and confirm all speakers for your session. Any changes in speakers must be made by Friday, March 30 by e-mail to Denise McCauley, dmccauley@massleague.org. Upon acceptance, the League conference staff may modify the session title and description to fit into our theme, style and format for the purposes of the

brochure and online marketing. All efforts will be made to confer with the lead presenter before publication.

The League is going paperless so we will post handouts received by May 8 on our website prior to the CHI *unless otherwise requested*. The handouts will be placed in a password protected area of the website and only registered attendees will be able to access them.

The League will provide a screen, microphone, laptop and LCD projector for each session. If you need any other accommodations please notify us in advance.