

CALL FOR PROPOSALS

International Perinatal Bereavement Conference



CHICAGO, IL

SEPT 30 - OCT 3, 2020

Join us in Chicago: Uniting Relational Aspects of Perinatal
Bereavement Care and Clinical Research

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DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION: AUGUST 5, 2019

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Call for Proposals Outline



I. Introduction

The International Perinatal Bereavement Conference (IPBC) is a major educational and networking event expected to draw more than 400 professionals and parent advocates interested in perinatal bereavement care. This 3.5-day conference includes one day of pre-conference presentations followed by 2.5 days of plenary, concurrent, and networking sessions.

The 2020 PLIDA Education and Planning Committees seek concurrent and poster presenters for the 22nd Biennial International Perinatal Bereavement Conference September 30 – October 3, 2020 at the Drake Hotel, Chicago, IL. Presenters are invited to share evidence-based clinical practice, research, and experiential opportunities with an interprofessional audience. Attendees will include clinicians, researchers, educators, and parent advocates (e.g., nurses, social workers, chaplains, physicians, genetic counselors, mental health providers, child life specialists, care coordinators) whose work involves women and families experiencing miscarriage, stillbirth, newborn and infant death, and babies diagnosed during the mother's pregnancy with a life-threatening condition.

The Conference Planning Committee is seeking submissions for concurrent session presentations and posters that reflect the conference theme *Join Us in Chicago: Uniting Relational Aspects of Perinatal Bereavement Care and Clinical Research*.

II. Conference Objectives

- Explore relational aspects of perinatal bereavement care.
- Describe innovative clinical and advocacy implications in caring for families when their baby dies.
- Develop skills for working within an interprofessional team when providing care for bereaved families.
- Describe principles and practice of self-care.
- Discuss transformation and other concepts related to processes of grieving.
- Provide opportunities for relationship building among clinicians, researchers, educators, caregivers, and parent advocates.
- Discuss ways of translating research findings into clinical practice.
- Explore ways of increasing inclusivity and encouraging diverse populations and experiences among perinatal bereavement patients and care providers.

III. Review Criteria

Members of the Education and Conference Planning Committees using these criteria will review proposals:

- Topic is innovative and relevant to perinatal bereavement care.
- Submission focuses on one or more of these areas: clinical practice, research, education, and/or advocacy.
- Time allocation and presentation content are well organized.
- Presenter has appropriate and relevant presentation experience.
- Learning objectives are measurable (i.e., using verbs such as discuss, describe, list, explain and avoid the verb "understand").
- Participants are likely to have significant interest in the session.



IV. Speaker Requirements

- **Speaker and Poster Presenters are required to register for the main conference.** Preconference registration is optional.
- Poster Presenters are expected to be at their posters and available for questions during specified times.
- Presentations will be scheduled on either October 1, 2020 or October 2, 2020. We are unable to accommodate specific requests for presentation scheduling, so speaker must be available on either date.
- In gratitude there is one \$80.00 registration discount **per proposal** that is accepted as a concurrent or poster presentation.
- Submissions with more than one speaker will receive only **one** discount to be shared among presenters.
- Submission is limited to a maximum of **2 speakers** per proposal. All speakers are required to register for the main conference.
- Speakers and Poster Presenters are responsible for all travel and lodging expenses, including parking.

TOPICS OF INTEREST

CONFERENCE PLANNERS ENCOURAGE PROPOSALS ON THE FOLLOWING TOPICS:

- Bereavement care models
- Collaborative care models
- Cultural responses to pregnancy loss and infant death
- Current theories, models, and concepts
- Developing a reflective practice
- Ethical issues and decision-making
- Genetics and genomics in perinatal care
- Growth and transformation
- Integration of evidence-based practices
- Managerial, leadership, administrative roles in bereavement programs
- Parent support activities
- Maternal Death
- Maternal Mental Health
- Mentoring relationships in perinatal bereavement
- Mindfulness and meditation
- Miscarriage care across the health care system
- Newborn death
- NICU Loss and Bereavement
- Perinatal Bereavement Mental Health
- Perinatal palliative care
- Ritual, suffering, and hope
- Self-care, caregiver grief or suffering in perinatal care, moral distress
- Quality, safety, and quality measures
- Spiritual care
- Stillbirth
- The grief of children, grandparents, and other family members
- Traumatic or complicated bereavement

V. Concurrent Session Submission

- Please complete the following forms and submit as your proposal. The text below is hyperlinked to the actual form, or you can download the forms on PLIDA.org.
 - **Educational Planning Table**
 - **Planner/Faculty Biographical Data (per speaker*)**
 - **Conflict of Interest Form (per speaker)**
 - **Gap Analysis Form**
- The **Educational Planning, Planner/Faculty Biographical Data, Conflict of Interest, and Gap Analysis** forms are required to award continuing education credits. We appreciate your assistance in maintaining records as prescribed by the Wisconsin Nurses Association-Continuing Education Approval Program (WNA-CEAP) and other continuing education providers.
- All forms must be *typed*; handwritten documents will not be accepted
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- Conference planners will not review incomplete, incorrect, or late submissions. **Tutorial for "Submitting a Proposal for IPBC 2020" is available [here](https://youtu.be/F11MyDyt5qE) (<https://youtu.be/F11MyDyt5qE>)**
- Please submit completed forms via email to proposals@plida.org by **August 5, 2019**.

**Note: PLIDA recognizes highest completed degrees only. Please do not use degree candidacy in your credentials [e.g., DNP(c)]. This is standard practice in most universities and colleges as a way of recognizing the work that goes into degree completion.*

VI. Poster Presentation Submission

- Please submit a 1-page proposal for your poster presentation. Please include:
 - ✓ Title of the Poster
 - ✓ First & Last Name of Author(s)*
 - ✓ Detailed Contact Information for each author, including email address
 - ✓ Please include the type of poster you will present (Innovative or Research), in addition to a brief description of each of the headings listed below:

Innovative Program Poster includes

- Objectives
- Background Information
- Description
- Evaluation

Research Poster includes

- Objectives
- Introduction
- Design and Methods
- Results
- Conclusions

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VII. Notification of Decision

Those who submit a proposal will receive email notification of the reviewers' decision no later than **October 3, 2019**. Those selected to present a concurrent or poster session will receive an agreement and presenter information packet by **October 18, 2019**.