The Ohio Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics 100th Annual Conference, April 16, 2021 is going virtual!

We are seeking proposals for educational sessions focused on practical application of research and insights into emerging research and trends that will capture the broad interests of RDNs, NDTRs, and dietetics students in Ohio and beyond. Along with education sessions, this virtual event will provide mainstays of the OAND Conference experience: exposure to new products and services, awards and recognition for members from various practice areas, special sessions for students, and networking—all essential for advancing careers. All of this will be provided in a safe and engaging environment that participants can plan to attend no matter what the public health situation brings in 2021.

Speaker RFP Overview

OAND is requesting proposals for educational sessions that focus upon this year’s theme “100 Ways to Be A Dietitian.” This theme recognizes the milestone of our 100th Annual Conference and the diversity of careers and specialties in dietetics, as well as the diverse characteristics of our members.

At the suggestion of the Ohio Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics Diversity, Equity and Inclusion Committee, the Conference Committee has committed to including BIPOC speakers and sessions on Diversity, Equity and Inclusion. You will be asked to indicate whether you/your presentation fall into these categories.

If you are a polished speaker with new research-based content to share with our attendees—who has not presented at our conference the past two years—please consider submitting a proposal. All proposals must be submitted online, and must be received by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, September 21, 2020. No e-mailed proposals will be accepted.

Please review the detailed guidelines on the following pages before submitting your proposal.

Presentation Style and Format

- We anticipate that most sessions will be lectures. However, we are open to multi-speaker lectures or panels.
- Each session will run 60 minutes—please plan on 45 minutes of content followed by 10-15 minutes of moderated Q&A.
- Speakers must be comfortable presenting virtually. We have not yet contracted with a virtual meeting platform, but depending on the recommendations of that platform, you may be asked to record your session ahead of time but be available for Q&A on April 16.
General Guidelines

- All proposals must be submitted online https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DMHLFHH
- Proposals are due by **5:00 pm on Monday, September 21, 2020.**
- Late and/or Incomplete proposals will not be considered.
- Sponsored speakers/sessions will be considered, but the content must be educational and not commercial.
- If the speaker is not sponsored, the Ohio Academy will provide the following standard speaker package:
  - Complimentary conference registration &
  - Honorarium of $250

Evaluation Criteria

Proposals will be reviewed and scored by members of the Conference Committee based on the following criteria:

- **Quality:** What is the overall quality of the proposal? Is it grounded in science? How clear is the writing?
- **Relevance:** Is the topic timely? Does the proposal address a cutting-edge concern for dietetics practitioners?
- **Originality:** Does the proposal provide an innovative perspective or a unique approach to the topic?
- **Speaker:** Is the speaker a recognized expert in this topic area based on years of experience, research, or education? Will the speaker use a dynamic presentation style to engage the audience?

Proposal Requirements

Proposals must be submitted using the Survey Monkey online proposal submission form https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DMHLFHH. A complete proposal must include all of the following components, which are fields you will fill out when you complete the online form:

- Session Title
- Session Abstract
  - 75 words or less, to be used for marketing purposes
- Learning Objectives (list 3)
  - After attending this session, the participant will be able to...
- Learning Need Codes (list 3)
  - Options: https://www.cdrnet.org/vault/2459/web/files/Step2PDP.pdf
- Performance Indicators (list 3)
• CPE Level (Preference is given to level 2-3 sessions)
  o 1: Assumes that the participant has little or no prior knowledge of the area(s) covered.
  o 2: Assumes that the participant has general knowledge of the literature and professional practice within the area(s) covered.
  o 3: Assumes that the participant has thorough knowledge of the literature and professional practice within the area(s) covered.

• Session Format
  o Lecture, panel discussion, other

• Primary Session Focus (select one)
  o Clinical nutrition, community nutrition, culinary skills, counseling, entrepreneurship, professional development, diversity/equity/inclusion

• Secondary Session Focus (select one, if applicable)
  o Clinical nutrition, community nutrition, culinary skills, counseling, entrepreneurship, professional development, diversity/equity/inclusion

• Sponsor Information (if applicable)
  o Contact name, sponsoring company, email address, phone number

• Speaker information
  o Name and credentials, to appear in the conference program and for marketing purposes
  o Position and affiliation
  o Contact information, including mailing address, phone, and email
  o Twitter handle, if applicable
  o Bio (65 words or less, to be used for marketing purposes and speaker introduction at conference, if the proposal is accepted)
  o Describe any previous experience presenting virtually (100 words or fewer)
  o Educational degree(s)
  o Certification/licensure
  o Professional position, current and previous employment
  o AND member? OAND member? OAND 2018 or 2019 speaker? Identify as BIPOC?
  o Photo/video/recording release
  o Agreement to provide virtual presentation if selected with speaker package described.
  o Photo upload (JPG/JPEG, 16MB or less)

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