



## ***Multidisciplinary Approaches to Perinatal Trauma: Advancing Understanding and Healing***

2021 NYSPA Perinatal Partnership (Virtual) Conference  
June 10-11, 2021

### ***Call for Session & Poster Proposals***

The New York State Perinatal Association's Annual Perinatal Partnership Conference is the *premier* maternal/infant health professional education conference in New York State, traditionally drawing an average of 200 - 250 health and human service providers and professionals from across the state. Linked to the multi-disciplinary focus of NYSPA and intention for cross-disciplinary collaboration and education; conference registrants include obstetricians, pediatricians, neonatal and maternal-fetal specialists, midwives, nurse practitioners, nurses, genetic counselors, social workers, nutritionists, lactation consultants, public health, community-based and social services professionals.

**The 2021 Conference Planning Committee invites proposals for plenary and workshop sessions, as well as abstracts for poster presentations.**

**2021 Conference Title:** *Multidisciplinary Approaches to Perinatal Trauma: Advancing Understanding and Healing*

**Date:** June 10-11, 2021

**Location:** Event will be held virtually

**Conference Format:**

- 5-7 Plenary Sessions: Duration: 1 – 1.25 hours (including Q&A)
- 8-12 Workshops: Duration: 1 hour (including Q&A)
- Poster Displays: Duration: throughout conference; Peer reviewed 2 tracks:
  - a) Research & Clinical Practice

**b) Public or Community Perinatal/Maternal/Child Health, successful programs, or promising practices**

**Theme subcategories:** The NYSPA Conference Planning Committee invites health and related professionals to submit proposals for presentation at the 2021 conference. The goal for this 2-day conference is to present the latest research, policies, best practices, and evidence-based information that reflects a multidisciplinary approach to perinatal trauma and its impact on birth outcomes and maternal and infant health and care.

Please consider the following subcategories for proposals, recognizing your individual or your group's knowledge and experience in the areas of trauma-informed clinical care, community, public and environmental health strategies, and expertise related to maternal-child health (MCH):

- A. Clinical advances and/or best practices for trauma-informed maternal or infant care;
- B. Promising and/or best practices for community-based trauma-informed maternal infant health care/services;
- C. Current & emerging issues in trauma-informed perinatal health & potential solutions;
- D. Advances in genetic testing and applications that reflect an awareness of epigenetics and trans-generational trauma;
- E. Evidence-based trauma-informed programs, clinical research and implementation;
- F. New areas of research or best practices in trauma-informed obstetrics, pediatrics and MICH;
- G. Trauma-informed policies affecting MICH and their impact.

**Process: Complete the following proposal application. Incomplete proposals will not be reviewed.**

**Submission Timeline/Deadline:**

**Plenary & Workshop sessions:** Applications are due by March 12, 2021. The committee will begin reviewing proposals on March 15, 2021 and will continue doing so until the agenda is complete. We expect to complete the competitive review process and select all sessions no later than March 31, 2021.

**Poster abstracts** can be submitted anytime between March 1, 2021 and March 31, 2021. Posters should be identified as to which category to be considered for. Abstracts will be peer reviewed for acceptance.

**Proposals should be sent electronically to:** Dawn Wesko, Conference Coordinator @ [nyspa@nysperinatal.org](mailto:nyspa@nysperinatal.org)

**Acknowledgement & Notification:**

**All submissions will be acknowledged within 48 hours to confirm receipt and completeness.**

**Plenary and Workshop Proposals** will be reviewed monthly and assigned a ranking. Selection decisions will begin being made on March 12, 2021 and continue until the agenda is complete, with selections finalized by March 31, 2021. Presenters will be notified either upon selection or by April 5, 2021. **Presenters MUST complete and return an acceptance agreement (including continuing education documentation) no later than 4/9/21. Any selected session for which the presenter does not complete the acceptance agreement will be withdrawn from the program and replaced with an alternative presentation and speaker.**

**Poster Abstracts** will be reviewed on a rolling basis, with authors notified by April 5, 2021.

**Poster authors MUST complete and return an acceptance agreement no later than April 16, 2021.**

### **Benefits of Presenting at NYSPA 2021:**

The New York State Perinatal Association is committed to supporting and promoting best and promising practices and programs to improve pregnancy and birth outcomes; women's, newborn and infant health; and to advocating for the availability, quality and competency of the full array of needed perinatal health services in New York State.

**Plenary & Workshop Presenters:** Your selection as a presenter at the 2021 conference will provide you with:

- ❖ An opportunity to showcase your expertise and your program.
- ❖ Recognition among your colleagues and peers
- ❖ Publicity through the conference brochure and the NYSPA media outlets.
- ❖ A complimentary one-year membership in NYSPA.
- ❖ A complimentary one-day registration for the 2021 NYSPA Conference
- ❖ **Plenary sessions:** \$500 stipend (max per session) (Slides must be received 6 weeks before conference for receipt of full stipend).

**Poster Authors:** Your selection as a poster presenter at the 2021 conference will provide you with:

- ❖ An opportunity for your poster to be selected for award (2-4 abstracts will be selected within each category as finalists for award recognition by the respective peer review committees by 5/14/21 with finalists selected and notified by 5/25/21 – award recipients will be identified at start of conference and recognized at the Awards Luncheon during the Conference).
- ❖ An opportunity to showcase your work and your program.
- ❖ Recognition among your colleagues and peers
- ❖ Publicity through the conference brochure and the NYSPA media outlets.
- ❖ A complimentary one-year membership in NYSPA.

**Questions:** Please contact Dawn Wesko at the NYSPA Office: 607-772-0517 or [nyspa@nysperinatal.org](mailto:nyspa@nysperinatal.org).

### **2021 Conference committee**

**Co-Chairs:** Sharon Chesna, Dr. Ellen Tourtelot & Sally Dear-Healey, PhD

# NYSPA 2021 Perinatal Partnership Conference Application Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Credentials \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ St/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ St/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: wk: \_\_\_\_\_ cell: \_\_\_\_\_ other: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: wk: \_\_\_\_\_ personal: \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\* If joint presentation or panel, each member should complete a separate form; attach and submit all together.**

**Type of session requested:**

\_\_\_\_ Plenary \_\_\_\_ Workshop \_\_\_\_ Poster (Poster session presenters must be present for both days.)  
(Session determination will be made by the Conference Planning Committee)

**Preferred day for presentation:** \_\_\_\_ Thursday, 6/10/21 or \_\_\_\_ Friday, 6/11/21.

(Although NYSPA will do its best to accommodate your preferred date, it may not be possible, and you will be contacted to confirm your availability).

**Title of presentation:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Summary description:** Include a 1-3 paragraph description of the session or abstract (can be inserted here or attached); explain how the session will be structured (i.e. lecture, participatory, case presentation, etc).

a) List 3-4 educational learning outcomes to be achieved.

- a. \_\_\_\_\_
- b. \_\_\_\_\_
- c. \_\_\_\_\_
- d. \_\_\_\_\_

b) To assist with securing continuing education credits, 3 evaluation questions are required:

- a. \_\_\_\_\_
- b. \_\_\_\_\_
- c. \_\_\_\_\_

c) List 3 publications/references that you either used in the creation of your talk or that you have published on the topic of your talk.

- a. \_\_\_\_\_
- b. \_\_\_\_\_
- c. \_\_\_\_\_

\* Presentations must be free of commercial bias. Please identify any potential conflicts of interest:

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**Important: All slides must be submitted 4 weeks before the conference.**

**Application Submission:** Completed applications should be sent electronically to:

**Dawn Wesko, Conference Coordinator:** [nyspa@nysperinatal.org](mailto:nyspa@nysperinatal.org).

**Questions:** contact Ms. Wesko at 607-772-0517