STEPPING FORWARD TOGETHER 2019:
Promoting Cultural Competence and Equity in Communities

Thursday, March 14, 2019
University of Vermont Davis Center in Burlington, Vermont.

CALL FOR PROPOSALS

Vermont Care Partners will be holding its annual conference to continue the discussion with national, regional, and local speakers about health disparities, cultural competence and ways we can improve our service delivery to all Vermonters. The 2018 conference was incredibly successful despite a blizzard and weather obstacles. People continue to ask for enhanced opportunities to learn more about and discuss the topics of racism, sexism, classism, ableism, cultural blindness, and ways that we can develop inclusive organizations and services in our state. Conference attendees will include: health and human services providers, economic service providers, first responders, educators, state officials, translators, and more.

Vermont Care Partners (VCP), representing 16 of the State’s Designated and Specialized Services Agencies, continues to work closely together with the Vermont Leadership Education in Neurodevelopmental Disabilities Program (LEND) at the University of Vermont College of Medicine, the University of Vermont Center on Disability and Community Inclusion, and the Vermont Agency of Human Services to present this important opportunity. We are interested in proposals for workshops, panel discussions, table top discussions, and poster presentations that address the following conference goals:

1. Promote practices and approaches to service delivery that support inclusion of all people
2. Present practices and approaches to organizational development that promote inclusion of all people
3. Educate about the current and historical state of the “isms” in Vermont as a way of setting the context for the need for ongoing work
4. Enhance peer-driven programs and approaches that promote inclusion of all people
5. Expand policy initiatives that promote inclusion of all people

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Session Title: 

Name of Presenter(s):

Type of presentation:

__ Workshop (1.5 to 3 hours; a presentation and interactive discussion that explores a topic area with the goal of promoting knowledge using a standard classroom set up)

__ Panel discussion (1.5 to 3 hours; a panel discussion of 3 or more presenters exploring a particular topic or issue with the goal of helping participant learn more about the topic from multiple perspectives using a standard classroom set up)

__ Table-Top Discussion (1.5 hours only; an interactive activity designed to promote discussion among participants as a way to construct knowledge and explore perspectives on an issue using a table-top set up)

__ Poster presentation (Visual presentations offered during breaks showcasing successful approaches to service delivery that include data to support this success)

Speaker(s)(Names/Titles):

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3.

4.
Learning Objectives:

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Length of time for presentation:

__ 1.5 hours

__ 3 hours (Workshops and Panel Discussions only)

Session Description (please be sure to include how your proposal specifically addresses conference goals):

Technology Needs: _______________________________________________________

Primary Contact Name: ___________________________________________________

Organization: ____________________________________________________________

Name: ________________________________________________________________

Mailing Address: _________________________________________________________

City: ____________________________ State: __________________ Zip: __________

Phone Number: ________________________________

E-mail: ________________________________

I am not interested in presenting but am interested in sponsoring this important event:

___ Yes, please contact me with sponsor information

___ No, thank you

Please send all submissions electronically to VCPConference@vermontcarepartners.org by October 31, 2018. Submissions will be reviewed by the conference committee in November with notifications sent to all applicants by December 1, 2018.