



**New York Public Welfare Association
150th Annual Winter Conference
*Call for Presentations***

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Albany, New York**

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Celebrating 150 Years of Supporting Local Districts Helping Those in Need

Local officials operating welfare programs have gathered together to address the needs of vulnerable New Yorkers' since the 1850s and formally organized as an association in 1869. During the past 150 years, counties, towns, cities, and charity groups have helped people in poverty persevere through multiple epidemics, two world wars, the Great Depression, and other tumultuous times. Starting in January, we will be celebrating the NYPWA's history in shaping state and federal public policies and in supporting the phenomenal work of

local departments of social services that are forever on the frontlines of helping those in need.

During our special anniversary year, this is the time to submit a workshop proposal! If you wish to present as part of a panel, we can recruit others to join you. Presentations that combine counties of various sizes and regions, as well as sessions with state agencies, are known to stimulate meaningful conversations. Here are some topics to peruse. All ideas are welcome!

Progress in Temporary Assistance, SNAP, Employment, and Child Care

- What Is Driving Changes in Caseloads?
- Overcoming Obstacles to Employment
- Reinventing Your Reception Area
- Proactive Security Measures
- State Policies & Local Administration
- Customer Service Challenges
- Efficient Structures and Models
- Waivers to Promote Innovation
- DFR Issues
- Child Care Policies
- Best Practices for Fair Hearings

Making the Most of Technology – Improving Work Processes Through:

- Online Access and Automated Interviews
- Smartphone Tools
- Streamlining Transactions
- Integrated Eligibility System Projects

Success in Managing Child Support

- State & Federal Rules & Policies
- Data, Systems & Training
- Program Operations
- Collaboration with Courts
- Local Best Practices

Presenter Incentive: A local district that independently develops and presents a full conference session will receive **ONE free full registration.**

Leading the Way in Administration

- Community Outreach, Media, Public Image
- Agency-Wide Trauma-Informed Care
- Promoting Employee Engagement
- Exemplary Customer Service
- LEAN Initiatives
- Race, LGBTQ, Immigration, Religion – Preventing Discrimination
- Managing and Monitoring Contracts
- Safety in the Workspace
- Recruitment, Retention, Succession Planning
- Focus on Self-Care
- Supervising Performance with the Spirit of Coaching

Experts on Legal Matters (CLE topics must be pre-approved – call ahead)

- Child Welfare Caselaw Updates (confirmed)
- Confidentiality I and II (confirmed)
- Improving Court Timeframes
- Evidentiary Issues in Sex Abuse, Head Trauma, or Substance Abuse Cases
- Child Support Legal Issues
- Newly Enacted Laws

Strategies for Preventing Homelessness

- Approaches That Promote Permanency
- Targeted Strategies Based on Causes of Homelessness
- Transitions from DV Shelters, Foster Care, and Institutions
- DSS Access to Supportive Housing for Highest-Need Individuals
- Role of State Agencies and Local Districts
- Housing Funding Opportunities
- Options for Older Adults

Helping Vulnerable Children & Adults – Here's How We Can:

- Shorten Court Timeframes for Permanency
- Reduce Out-of-Home Placements
- Recruit Foster Families, Including Relatives
- Keep Youth out of Juvenile Justice System
- Implement Raise the Age
- Keep Children Safe & Manage Risk
- Maintain Adoption Placements
- Protect At-Risk Adults

Moving Forward with Changes in Medicaid

- Managing Local Role in Medicaid Administration
- Identifying Key Transition Issues and Timelines
- Exploring Local Role for CFCO
- Planning for Non-MAGI Cases
- Reorganizing, Retraining, and Reassigning Staff

Fiscal Strategies

- Diving into the Executive Budget
- Hot Topics for State/Local Fiscal Administrators
- Family First Fiscal Impacts
- Reimbursement for Raise the Age
- Housing Plans and Finance
- Best Uses of Data and Reports
- CW Priorities – Funding Streams & Caps
- Fiscal Policy Dialogue

Proposals will be selected by the NYPWA conference committee based on quality and level of interest in the topic.

For more information, please contact Beth Keitel, NYPWA Conference Coordinator, at 518-465-9305 or beth.keitel@nypwa.org.

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Proposal for 2019 Winter Conference Workshop - Deadline October 12, 2018

Contact Person Name & Title: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Suggested Title

Topic Description (3-4 sentences). The NYPWA staff will edit titles and descriptions of accepted proposals, as needed, for inclusion in the conference brochure.

Also, attached is a Summary of the Presentation for review by the selection committee.

All Presenters (names, title, agency, address, phone, email address)

Type & Length of Presentation (please check all that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Single Presenter | <input type="checkbox"/> Panel Presentation | <input type="checkbox"/> Interactive Roundtable |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prefer 90 Minute Session | <input type="checkbox"/> Prefer 75 Minute Session | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please describe) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CLE Legal Session – CLE topics must be pre-approved. | _____ | |

Local DSS Commissioner Approval (required for any local DSS staff to present)

- Approval received Request for approval is pending No LDSS staff presenting (N/A)

Equipment Needed

- Flip Chart Screen Internet Access (**presenter will be responsible for costs**)
 I will bring a laptop and projector for PowerPoint (**NYPWA does NOT supply**)

Program Area (please check all that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Adult Services | <input type="checkbox"/> Children's Services | <input type="checkbox"/> HEAP | <input type="checkbox"/> SNAP |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Child Care | <input type="checkbox"/> Employment | <input type="checkbox"/> Housing | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Child Support | <input type="checkbox"/> Financial Assistance | <input type="checkbox"/> Medicaid | _____ |

Administrative Area (please check all that apply)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Fiscal | <input type="checkbox"/> Management/Personnel | <input type="checkbox"/> Staff Development | <input type="checkbox"/> Technology |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Legal | <input type="checkbox"/> Performance Outcomes | <input type="checkbox"/> Deputy Commissioners' Leadership Network | |

The NYPWA is not responsible for travel, meal, or room expenses for presenters.

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