

CALL FOR PROPOSALS

SOCIAL GROUP WORK: WE ARE ALL IN THE SAME BOAT



The Association for the Advancement of Social Work with Groups (AASWG) is pleased to invite submissions of proposals for presentations at its 33rd International Symposium, to be held in Long Beach, California, USA, June 2 – 5, 2011. The Port of Long Beach is one of the world's largest shipping ports, and the city is home to residents from many cultures. One of Long Beach's most famous residents, the Queen Mary, is permanently docked in the Long Beach Harbor. The Queen Mary's journey began in 1936 when it made its maiden voyage from Southampton, England to Cherbourg, France. The next day the Queen Mary continued its voyage across the North Atlantic Ocean to Pier 90 in New York. The Symposium site will be the Queen Mary ship, which is now a hotel with an excellent reputation among international travelers. The ship/hotel is located in downtown Long Beach on the Pacific Ocean. It is close to major restaurants and entertainment, only a few blocks by water taxi, shuttle service, or foot to lively venues. Social group workers, social workers, researchers, teachers, supervisors, managers, students, group members, and all professionals who work in groups are invited to share their experiences, to trade ideas, and to discuss questions on this year's theme, Social Group Work: We are All in the Same Boat. Papers submitted by June 1, 2011 to the Conference Chairs prior to the symposium may be selected for publication in the Conference Proceedings following the international symposium.

Presentations may address any of the following topics:

- Group Work in Different Countries
- Strengths and Conflicts in Diverse Groups
- Evidenced-based Group Work
- Working in Effective Teams
- Group Work for Military Personnel and Their Families
- Group Work Perspectives from Different Disciplines
- Relaxation and Stress Reduction in Group Work
- Groups for School Aged Children through Older Adults

All Aspects of group work research/scholarship and practice will be considered!

TYPES OF PRESENTATIONS

- Papers are 30-minute didactic and discussion-oriented presentations
- Poster presentations are brief didactic presentations offered at a collective forum
- Workshops are experiential and last 60 minutes

PROPOSAL SUBMISSION

- Paper proposals consist of a 350-word abstract, submitted online at www.aaswg.org
- Workshop proposals should describe objectives, structure, and presentation method and are also submitted online at www.aaswg.org.
- Deadline for submitting paper/workshop abstracts November 15, 2010
- Notification regarding acceptance is **January 31, 2011**.
- Membership in AASWG is not required for submission but is required upon acceptance.
- Full Papers submitted by **June 1, 2011** will be considered for a refereed proceedings publication.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION

Please contact the Symposium Co-Chairs with any questions:

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