REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS
for PENN AUTISM NETWORK’ 5TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE, 5/23/10
SUBMISSION DEADLINE: JANUARY 5, 2010

Dear Colleague: You are invited to submit a proposal for an upcoming event.

The fifth annual Penn Autism Network conference will take place Friday, April 23, 2010.
We’ll have a new location this year: Williamson Caterers, Willow Grove, PA.

As in previous years, the goal of this conference is to build a network of individuals with autism spectrum disorders (ASD), their families, and the professionals who work with them. We want to provide this diverse community with the opportunity to share ideas and strategies for promoting a system of supports and services for adults with ASD.

Our conference will concentrate on the needs of adults with ASD and those transitioning to adulthood. We will offer up to 12 workshops and we’re interested in reviewing proposals related to: advocacy, employment, post-secondary education, transition planning, building collaborative models, providing respectful and appropriate supports for individuals and families, person-centered supports planning, innovative programming, and best practices for teaching life skills. Please do not limit yourself to these suggestions. We will consider all topic ideas.

All programs should be as interactive as possible and targeted for an audience that may include individuals with ASD, family members, educators, professionals and other community members. We anticipate 1.5-hour presentations, most to run concurrently with other offerings. Please use the form below to share your program ideas.

Note the submission deadline of Tuesday, January 5, 2010.

We look forward to hearing from you. If you have any questions in the meantime, please feel free to contact Deirdre Wright, PAN Special Projects Manager, at dewright@mail.med.upenn.edu or 215/746-1967.

Sincerely,
Planning Committee
Penn Autism Network Conference
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CALL FOR PROPOSALS
FOR PRESENTATIONS
ON FRIDAY, APRIL 23, 2010

Williamson Caterers
Willow Grove, PA

• PROPOSALS MAY BE SUBMITTED IN PAPER OR ELECTRONIC FORMAT.
• DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION: Tuesday, January 5, 2010

1. PRIMARY PRESENTER NAME:
   TITLE:
   INSTITUTION/ORGANIZATION:
   ADDRESS:
   TELEPHONE:
   EMAIL:
   BRIEF BIOGRAPHY (150 WORDS MAXIMUM; PLEASE DO NOT SUBMIT A CV IN PLACE OF THIS INFORMATION):

2. ARE THERE OTHER PRESENTERS? PLEASE LIST THEIR NAMES, TITLES, INSTITUTIONS/ORGANIZATIONS, AND A BRIEF BIOGRAPHY:

3. PRESENTATION FORMAT (we expect all presentations will be 1.5 hours):
   ___ workshop ___ panel ___ other (please specify ________________)

4. PRESENTATION TITLE (10 words or less):

5. PRESENTATION DESCRIPTION (50 words or less):
   This information will be used in the Conference Brochure and program to promote your presentation. We reserve the right to edit this description.
6. PRESENTATION OBJECTIVES:
Briefly state the major learning objectives of the program by completing the following sentence. List only 5 objectives. Think in terms of new skills or knowledge the participant will have upon completion of the program.

This program is designed to help you . . .
1. 
2. 
3. 
4. 
5. 

7. ETHICAL CONSIDERATIONS:
Are you presenting information about your practice or research? ____ YES       ____ NO
If yes, has privacy been safeguarded? ____ YES       ____ NO
If yes, have all necessary permissions been obtained? ____ YES       ____ NO

Please send completed form to:

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Email submission is preferred.