

The 30th FORUM for Behavioral Science in Family Medicine



The 2009 Theme is:

Behavioral Science Comes of Age: A Comprehensive Review of Effective and Innovative Teaching Strategies

September 24-27th, 2009
The Westin Lombard Yorktown Center
70 Yorktown Center, Lombard, IL

Call for Proposals

Online Submission Deadline: March 9, 2009

About the FORUM

First held in 1980, **The FORUM for Behavioral Science in Family Medicine** has continuously served to stimulate the advancement of behavioral science in family medicine. The FORUM has always placed a high value on networking, on professional development, and on the integration of behavioral science in the family medicine curriculum. From its inception, The FORUM has provided a wide range of presentations on methods for teaching the behavioral sciences, relying upon a strong tradition of interaction between presenters and participants. The program now includes a track to develop the clinical skills and knowledge of behavioral scientists and family physicians.

In 2008, The FORUM received a record number of submissions resulting in over 70 presentations, and attendance reached an all time high. The success of The FORUM reflects the impressive progress behavioral scientists and family physicians have made in their efforts to make behavioral science core to medical education.

It is a great privilege to chair the 30th FORUM during which we will celebrate our progress in advancing behavioral science as an essential component of medical education and clinical care.

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Submit a Proposal

This year's FORUM will provide participants the opportunity to present, review and develop effective and innovative teaching strategies in a broad spectrum of curricular and clinical areas. We have restructured The FORUM around ten content areas (tracks) which represent the curricular responsibilities and professional functioning of behavioral science faculty. We are seeking proposals in all track areas with the emphasis on teaching strategies that work. Our ambitious goal for 2009 is to organize a conference which captures 30 years of behavioral science training and provides our participants a comprehensive selection of behavioral science materials, skills and ideas immediately applicable to the many domains for which we are responsible. *Simply stated, we intend for the 30th FORUM to provide you "everything you wanted to know about behavioral science, and then some!"*

Presentation Formats:

NOTE: *With the exception of Clinical Lectures, it is the tradition of the FORUM to offer sessions which are structured to include audience participation.*

Lecture/Discussion (1 hr): Present didactic information or panel discussion in a focused area and includes at least 10 minutes for discussion and questions and answers.

Clinical Lecture (1 hr): Present didactic information on a clinical topic relevant to the practice of family medicine. Session content must be geared to an audience of family physicians and behavioral scientists.

Seminar (1 ½ hrs) Present didactic information or panel discussion of specific topics or research with audience discussion and question-and-answer period.

Workshop (2 hrs) Transmit and practice specific skills or work on a project using active participant involvement in small groups or using other interactive methods.

Interactive Poster Session: Present results of research efforts or project through a poster and brief oral presentation. Following all presentations, authors will have opportunity to interact with audience at their poster.

Networking Breakfast (1 hr) Introduce a topic of interest briefly, guide an informal discussion with table guests sharing experiences and exploring ideas, and summarize follow-up steps. (There is no audio-visual support for networking breakfasts).

Submission Process: Proposals will only be accepted through the STFM web site. Please go to www.stfm.org/FORUM to submit your proposal. For technical submission questions, contact Larry Peery, 1-800-274-2237 ext 5405 or email lpeery@stfm.org

For further information:

Contact Mary Ellen Radjenovich, Conference Coordinator, 414-456-8189 or email meradjen@mcw.edu

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES AND FORMATS

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Who? Behavioral scientists, family physicians, medical educators and others interested in behavioral science in primary care are invited to submit proposals. We encourage **collaborative** presentations by physician/behavioral scientist teams and with learners such as fellows and residents.

What? Our goal for 2009 is to provide as comprehensive a program as possible. As always, the purpose of the FORUM is to provide those who are dedicated to the advancement of behavioral science in medical education a wide array of effective and innovative teaching skills and resources. For the 30th FORUM proposals are being organized around the major domains or content areas (tracks) in which behavioral scientists teach. **When you submit a proposal it will be necessary for you to identify a primary track which most closely aligns with your proposal.**

The ten content areas for the 2009 FORUM are:

1. Physician-patient relationships and interpersonal skills
2. Resident support and well-being
3. Family systems and family-oriented care
4. Professional and personal development of behavioral scientists
5. Office-based counseling and psycho-social interventions
6. Behavioral medicine (motivational interviewing, group visits, healthy behaviors)
7. Recognition and treatment of psychiatric disorders in primary care (Clinical Track)
8. Collaborative and integrated care models and practices
9. Community and cross-cultural medicine
10. Specific curricular areas of focus (palliative care, interpersonal violence, etc)

Focused Seminars: Because the FORUM receives similar proposals on topics from multiple presenters, the program committee will combine proposals to create Focused Seminars in which two or more presentations are integrated or presented consecutively. These sessions are usually two hours in length.

Blind Review: FORUM reviewers receive proposals without any identifying information regarding authors, affiliations or locations. **Please remove identifying information from your abstracts and session descriptions.**

Fees and registration: All presenters must register and pay the appropriate registration fees. There is a one-day registration rate and a reduced rate for residents, fellows, and medical students.

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