

Call for Proposals | 2019 Children's Law Institute

ALBUQUERQUE, NEW MEXICO | January 9-11, 2019

The New Mexico Children's Law Institute (CLI) is seeking proposals for skill building workshops for the 26th annual conference.

Deadline for proposal submission is August 17, 2018

Join us in exploring the theme: *"Purpose, Hope, and Change: Improving Daily Practices and Building a Better System."*

The 2019 annual conference theme encourages an intentional reflection of last year's 25th anniversary theme which focused on challenging ourselves, shaking things up, looking honestly at what it is like to be a child in New Mexico.

We will take the challenges introduced at the 2018 conference and dig deeper, looking at what we can do to change our systems and ourselves. What tools do we need to be successful in our work? What are strategies we can employ to be an agent for change? How do we stay connected to our purpose in the work we do? And how do we inspire hope in others and ourselves?

The CLI is a statewide, multidisciplinary conference which brings over 1,000 various professionals together in a unique learning environment focused on improving the health, safety, and well-being of New Mexico's children and families.

Criteria for Submission: (see full application questions on last page)

We are looking for **1.5 hour long workshops** that relate to child welfare, juvenile justice, service providers, advocates, educators, and legal professionals in those systems. Workshops can be geared toward one or more professions. We are seeking intermediate and advanced presentations for experienced professionals and volunteers. Academic paper proposals are not likely to be accepted.

To be considered, proposals must encompass the following criteria:

- **Relevance** to conference theme and attendees
- Use of innovative and applicable knowledge that is **solution focused**.
- Incorporation of tools for **skill building**
- Include audience **interaction** and critical thinking
- Provide real world application that can be applied to an attendees' individual area of expertise
- Content related specifically to the cultures in New Mexico and the particular and unique challenges we face.
- Examples of the resource(s) you will utilize during the workshop and share with participants (handouts, PowerPoint slides, additional resources etc.)

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Any topics that meet criteria are welcome. We are looking specifically for intermediate and advanced solution focused workshops on the following topics:

- Actualizing change at the individual and system levels
- Inspiring hope in others and ourselves
- Poverty
- Solution focused approaches to address implicit bias, racism, homophobia, or transphobia, et al.
- Community Resources: How to access, how to get the most from, how to build your own.
- Collaborations across systems
- Leadership at every level
- Communication, language, conflict resolution
- Family Engagement
- Youth Voice
- Deeper understanding about impact of trauma and solution focused approaches to addressing trauma at all levels in the system.
- Substance Use: Current Substances, Current Treatments, What is Working?
- Increasing resiliency in our children, youth, families and ourselves.
- Focus on working indigenous populations/ within Tribal systems
- Innovative approaches to self-care, understanding secondary trauma, mindfulness, etc.

Please visit the CLI Website, www.childrenslawinstitute.org, to complete and submit your proposal online. To submit via email please send a word document that contains all of the information below with the subject line 2019 CLI Proposal to cli-nm@nmsu.edu

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Application Requirements:

The Proposal Review Committee seeks high quality presentations which all must include the following:

- Name and Contact info for Primary Presenter
- Proposed Session Title or Topic
- A **biography** for each presenter (150-200 words) which includes education and credentials as applicable, (required for CEU/CLEs) and be written in the third person.
- **Session Summary** (up to 300 words) intended for the conference program.
- An **abstract** which includes:
 - How does your workshop respond to the conference theme?
 - Primary learning objectives or goals for workshop
 - Describe how your workshop will use innovative and applicable knowledge that is solution focused.
 - Presentation methodology: describe how your workshop will be experiential, interactive, etc.
 - Describe the intended audience and how this will be intermediate or advanced content.
 - Will this workshop contain a specific focus on the cultures of New Mexico? If yes, please describe.
- Indicate if this material has been previously presented. If yes, indicate when and where.
- **Include all materials** including copy of power points or other handouts and links to additional resources on your topic. Note: if you do not have all materials ready to submit please describe what your materials will be and acknowledge the expectation that all presentations must have some written materials available for participants prior to the conference. All materials will be uploaded onto conference mobile app. If your workshop has specific materials that must be read prior to the session please indicate.
- **Availability** to present the afternoon of January 9th, all day on January 10th and the morning of January 11th. Please indicate any day or time that you are NOT available to present.