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Call for Presentation Proposals

The Connecticut Certification Board, in conjunction with its sponsors and supporters, is pleased to announce the 2023 Spring Conference and Awards Presentation. The single day conference is planned for Thursday, June 1, 2023. The conference will be held at Saint Clements Castle in Portland once again this year. We will offer a live, in-person event, as well as the opportunity for pre-recorded virtual presentations as an add on bonus.

Although the full program is still being developed, the conference will feature a keynote address by physician, writer, international speaker and media personality Dr. Lipi Roy. Dr. Roy has trained and worked at some of the world's leading academic medical centers including McMaster University, University of Toronto, Tulane University, Duke Medical Center, Massachusetts General Hospital, and Harvard Medical School. She is also the former addiction medicine chief at New York's Rikers Island jail complex. However, Dr. Roy believes that the *greatest* teachers have been her patients. Over the course of thousands of clinical visits, she has had the privilege of listening to their stories of hardship and heroism, of resilience. These diverse and transformative experiences in addiction, homeless health, correctional medicine and global health (Nicaragua, India, Haiti) have motivated her to share her knowledge and inspire all of us to lead healthier and happier lives! Much more information on Dr. Roy is available at her website <https://www.lipiroymd.com/>.

In addition, we will feature a plenary speaker (announcement coming soon) as well as a selection of concurrent break-out sessions on varied topics of interest to the addiction community. Participants will enjoy sessions meeting the interests/needs of those seeking professional information on substance abuse disorders and advances in the industry. The concurrent session program is expected to include presentations intended to help participants investigate various aspects of addiction while meeting the interests/needs of students, professionals, and service providers alike.

We will also welcome a limited number of exhibitors sponsored by various service and support vendors from throughout the state, region and nation.

Conference Objectives:

We desire to be a forum for a broad and varied range of topics and/or research to be presented. We are seeking presentations for multiple levels of expertise (basic, moderate, advanced) and interests:

- Professional and Educational – for those currently involved in professions serving the addiction community, and students wishing to explore careers within the field; typically, advanced level of understanding required.
- Family and Community – designed for those seeking information and insight to help strengthen their families and provide information on the latest therapies, prevention methods and theories, educational tools and research. Typically, basic understanding required.
- Business and Organization – for those wishing to explore the impact of addiction on businesses and organizations, and how addiction can be addressed at work.

Presentations are expected to fall into the following areas:

- Cutting-edge research on current and emerging treatments and trends (of interest – new research)
- Strategies for meeting the unique opportunities and challenges associated with addiction, including educational and behavioral practices/therapies, medication-assisted therapies, etc.
- Pedagogies and best practices for educating families, educators and individuals about addiction and prevention.
- Identifying and meeting the challenges faced by families touched by addiction.

We are particularly interested in sessions focusing on:

- Evidence Based Therapy
- Prevention
- Peer support
- Behavioral addiction (i.e. pornography, food, sexual, non-nutritive substances (Pica), eating disorders, gambling, gaming, etc.)
- Recovery centered systems of care
- Brain function (neurobiology of addiction)
- Adolescent treatment
- Co-occurring substance use disorders/mental illness
- Ethics
- Crisis Intervention and Suicide Prevention

General concurrent session presentations will be 60 minutes in length (unless otherwise noted in special circumstances). These sessions are designed to be hands-on, interactive and informational in nature. We expect presenters to offer in-depth coverage of a topic – and encourage group discussion. *Applicants must have previous experience as presenters.*

To submit a presentation proposal, please provide:

- Brief biographical sketch (complete with photo and any education or professional designations (i.e. PhD, LCSW, etc.) – 6-10 lines maximum,
- a brief description of your content (500 words or less), including the level of understanding required (basic/advanced) and which audience would be targeted (professional/ family/educator/ etc.)
- any applicable academic reference information

A proposal submission form is provided below to make the application process easier. Email your proposal to: jquamme@ctcertboard.org, or fax to 2023 CCB Spring Conference and Awards Proposal, 203.621.3111. Proposals must be received by Friday, February 17, 2023 in order to be considered. Since space is extremely limited, we encourage you to submit your proposal as early as possible. Once all timeslots have been filled submissions will no longer be considered (regardless of date submitted). Accepted proposals will receive confirmation no later than February 24, 2023.


Please note that the selection process for our breakout presentations is very keen, and only a small number will be accepted. If your presentation is selected by our committee, you will receive an admission to the conference, as well as continental breakfast, lunch and all-day coffee and soft drinks at no cost. The CCB is not responsible for the cost of travel unless expressly stated to the presenter.

Those proposals that are not accepted may be eligible for pre-recording and viewing by attendees as an adjunct to the live event. If you are interested in the possibility of a pre-recorded virtual presentation, please check the corresponding box at the beginning of the proposal form.

Academic reference/evidence base for session content: _____

Describe Previous Conference Presentation Experience: _____

Please email (preferred) completed form and bio/photo to:

	<p>CCB 2023 Spring Conference and Awards Email: JQuamme@ctcertboard.org or Fax: 203.621.3111</p> <p><i>Questions? Feel free to call – 203.440.9595 (O) or 860.230.1695 (C); or use email above</i></p>
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