# Call for Proposals



# CHARTING NEW PATHS

Shaping the Future of Hospice & Palliative Care

The 2025 Annual MNHPC Conference will be held in person at the Radisson Blu in Bloomington, MN April 7 & 8, 2025. Our conference theme is "Charting New Paths: Shaping the Future of Hospice & Palliative Care"

Our call for proposals is open from September 1st, 2024 through October 15th, 2024.

If you have any questions after reviewing these submission guidelines, please contact Robin@mnhpc.org.



The goal of the 2025 MNHPC Annual Conference is to advance the knowledge of healthcare professionals who provide serious illness and end-of-life services.

### **Target Audience**

The conference is designed for nurses, physicians, social workers, chaplains, hospice aides, administrators, therapists (music, massage, PT/OT/SLT), volunteer coordinators, volunteers, bereavement coordinators, physician assistants, and home health care, assisted living and skilled nursing home providers. Students of these disciplines are also encouraged and welcomed to attend.



## MINNESOTA NETWORK OF HOSPICE & PALLIATIVE CARE



Imagine the night sky as a vast, uncharted sea, each star a beacon of hope, guiding us through the profound journey of hospice and palliative care. Just as navigators once relied on the constellations to traverse the unknown, we too look to innovative practices and compassionate care to illuminate the future of this vital field. This year, we are thrilled to announce our upcoming conference "Charting New Paths: Shaping the Future of Hospice & Palliative Care." Hospice and palliative care fields are continually evolving, with new treatments, technologies, and thoughtful practices emerging to enhance patient care. Gathering together at this conference is more important than ever, as it offers a unique opportunity to exchange knowledge, engage in critical conversations, and be inspired by the latest advancements. As we navigate through the myriad of changes happening in the field, our shared commitment to compassionate care will serve as our guiding star, illuminating the path forward. This conference will be a beacon of hope, inspiring us to chart new paths and shape the future of hospice and palliative care for the betterment of all.

Attendees will have the opportunity to engage with leading experts, share knowledge, and discover new methodologies that push the boundaries of what is possible in this vital field. The conference will feature keynote speakers who are pioneers in their respective areas, workshops that delve into the latest research and techniques, and panel discussions that encourage collaborative problem-solving.

We invite you to join us in this illuminating journey. Whether you are a seasoned professional or new to the field, this conference offers a unique opportunity to learn, grow, and contribute to shaping the future of hospice and palliative care.

# **Topic Areas**

Proposals are encouraged, but not limited to, the following topic areas:

- Innovative practices, treatments, and technologies in hospice and palliative care
- Medical Aid in Dying
- VSED / SED
- Culturally Appropriate
   Care
- Family grief, education, and communication
- Holistic and alternative therapies
- Best Practices in Education and Field Training for Providers
- Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion in Hospice and Palliative Care Organizations
- Workforce and Volunteer Development and Retention
- Psychedelics
- Advanced Practice
- Ethics
- Selfcare, grief and burnout
- Optimizing the Interdisciplinary Team





### **How to Submit a Proposal**

Please submit the following information to robin@mnhpc.org, either in the body of an email or as an attachment. MNHPC will request additional details about your proposal if it is selected for further review. Contact robin@mnhpc.org if you have any questions about the proposal process.

#### **Presenter Information:**

- Lead presenter first and last name
- Organization
- Current position/title
- Credentials
- Email
- Phone
- Name and credentials of any co-presenters

#### **Presentation Information:**

- Presentation title
- Brief Summary
- 2-3 Learning Outcomes
- Target Audience
- Preferred length (60, 75, or 90 minutes)

#### **Session Format and Length**

Sessions will be delivered in person in assigned conference rooms at the Radisson Blu. AV equipment will be available in each room. Sessions will vary in length from 60 - 90 minutes - see "Presentation Levels" below.

#### **Maximum Number of Presenters**

The maximum number of speakers per session is three. All speakers must be included on the session proposal at the time of submission. Speakers cannot be added after the review process without approval from the Education and Training Committee.

#### **Presentation Levels**

#### **Fundamental Proposals**

Must contain experience-based learning scenarios (may contain case studies) and introduce participants to basic strategies, resources or tools. Designed for attendees who are new to hospice and palliative care and/or those relatively new to presenting.

#### **Proficient/Intermediate Proposals**

Must contain case studies or experience-based learning scenarios and introduce participants to strategies, resources or tools. May introduce innovative new approaches, technologies, delivery systems, or provide current information on critical and timely topics. Designed for a broad range of attendees at all levels.

#### **Advanced Proposals**

Must contain case studies or experience-based learning scenarios and are grounded in evidence-based knowledge. May introduce innovative new approaches, technologies, delivery systems, or provide current information on critical and timely topics. Designed for attendees with in-depth experience/knowledge in the topic or field of study.

## **Proposal Review**

#### Proposal Review, Selection, and Notification

Proposals are reviewed by the MNHPC Education and Training Committee. General session speakers are invited by MNHPC staff and are not selected through this call for proposals. Reviewers score proposals based on: clear objectives that are measurable, presenter expertise, audience appeal, identification of practice gaps, relevance to conference theme, and appropriate use of teaching tools and strategies.

Proposals submitted by individuals working in commercial interest organizations will not be accepted if the content relates to healthcare goods or services consumed by, or used on, patients that are produced, marketed, re-sold, or distributed by the commercial interest organization.

The Education and Training Committee reviews proposals in Fall 2024. Notification of selection, decline, or wait list status will be emailed by the end of November 2024.

#### **Presenter Registration and Discounts**

All presenters must register for the conference.

#### **Session Materials**

All conference materials must be reviewed and approved by MNHPC prior to the conference and must comply with ANCC and ACCME guidelines. Deadlines for speaker materials will be communicated and must be met. Materials not submitted to MNHPC for review in advance may not be shown or provided in conference sessions.

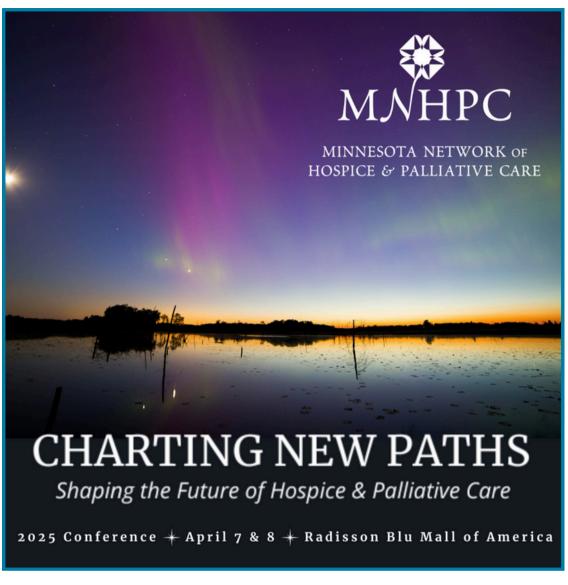
#### Disclosure of Relevant Financial Relationships with Commercial Interests

MNHPC follows the standards of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) and the American Nurses Credentialing Commission (ANCC) to ensure that our program is absent of bias and conflicts of interest. All planners and presenters must disclose all relevant financial relationships with commercial interests. Disclosed relationships are reviewed for conflicts of interest, and if a conflict exists, MNHPC works with the presenter to resolve the conflict. If the conflict is not resolved or if a presenter refuses to disclose relevant relationships, the session will be removed from the program.

MNHPC will NOT, under any circumstances, accept proposals that promote a speaker's product, service or monetary self-interest. MNHPC takes the responsibility for ensuring that conferences are free from commercial bias seriously and will decline proposals that do not adhere to this policy.

To ensure a well balanced program, MNHPC will determine the most appropriate time and date based on presentation topic, level, and type. Speakers must be available to present on the day/time assigned for the duration of the session. MNHPC reserves the right to adjust the length of any session. However, speakers will be notified and MNHPC will work with speakers to adjust content and objectives accordingly.





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