

# Alternatives 2014



**Creating the Future:  
Change, Challenge, Opportunity  
October 22-26, 2014  
Caribe Royale  
Orlando, Florida**

**Call for Presentations**

The National Mental Health Consumers' Self-Help Clearinghouse announces that Alternatives 2014, the 28th national mental health conference organized by and for mental health consumers/survivors, will be held in Orlando, Florida, at the Caribe Royale, October 22-26, 2014.

*Creating the Future: Change, Challenge, Opportunity* is the theme of this year's conference.

### **Topic Areas for Workshops and Institutes**

We invite everyone to consider becoming a presenter; first-time presenters are especially welcome. Learning from each other is a clear example of self-help, mutual support, and the principles of recovery in action!

Each Alternatives Conference offers in-depth technical assistance on consumer/survivor-delivered services and self-help/recovery methods. The Alternatives 2014 Conference Committee, which includes consumer/survivor leaders from across the nation, is seeking proposals for presentations in the following areas, although proposals need not be limited to the following subjects:

- Peer-Led Programs
- Leadership Development
- Integration of Physical Health with Behavioral Health Care
- Technology
- Alternative Therapies
- Diversity and Inclusion

### **Selection Criteria:**

Presentations emphasizing the participation of attendees, handouts, and ability to replicate ideas will be given priority consideration. Reviewers will evaluate proposals according to the following:

- Relevance of the presentation to the conference theme and suggested subject areas.
- Expertise and experience of presenters.
- Opportunities for participants to develop new skills and/or replicate a successful program.
- Indication that the lead presenter is a consumer/survivor. Partnerships with other providers are encouraged.
- Clear outline of the purpose and learning objectives of the presentation.

## 2014 Application For Workshops and Institutes

I understand that all presenters must pay the full conference registration fee and are also responsible for all travel and lodging expenses.

Title of Presentation(exactly as it should be printed in the conference materials):

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Please indicate format:  90-Minute Workshop  3-Hour Institute

Topic area of program (choose from list on previous page):

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Lead presenter: (consumer/survivor) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you presented at an Alternatives Conference previously?  Yes  No

If yes, please specify topic(s) and year(s) \_\_\_\_\_

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Please list any other conventions or gatherings at which you have presented this topic:

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Co-presenter(s)

Phone

E-mail

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Does your presentation require Audio/Visual Equipment?

- Yes  No (please specify):
- Microphone
  - TV & VCR
  - Flip chart/markers
  - AV cart & screen\*

\*Due to budget constraints, Alternatives 2014 cannot supply LCD projectors or laptop computers; however, presenters are welcome to bring their own.

- I will bring my own laptop and LCD projector.

### **Proposals must be received by June 30, 2014**

Apply online or by e-mail or by fax, or mail one (1) copy of:

- Completed application form
- 50-word abstract of presentation
- One-page outline of presentation (include learning goals and objectives).
- Brief biography (no more than 50 words for each presenter).

Mail: Alternatives 2014 Presentation Proposals  
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Austin, TX 78750

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