

# 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Latino Behavioral Health Summit

## Call for Papers

“Empowering Communities,  
Building Bridges,  
Finding Solutions”

November 6, 2008  
Public Safety Academy  
Fort Wayne, IN

## Come and join us in Northeast Indiana!

Northeastern Center, Inc., a community mental health center in Northeast Indiana and its community partners are hosting a Latino Behavioral Health Summit in November 2008.

The theme of the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Latino Behavioral Health Summit, “**Empowering Communities, Building Bridges, Finding Solutions**” is a fitting one for all sectors of our community – workplace, health care, law enforcement, and education. Our summit is an attempt to facilitate awareness of existing behavioral health initiatives and breaking down of service barriers. We seek presentations that offer effective strategies to addressing the goals and objectives we have set forth for the Latino Behavioral Health Summit:

Presentations are invited to achieve the summit outcomes:

### **Goal - Increase linkages among the Latino community and area agencies in order to decrease barriers to service delivery.**

Objectives:

- ❖ Identify empowerment strategies that lead to interagency cooperation and collaboration, among organizations currently serving the Latino community.
- ❖ Build competency through language access in the health care setting, law enforcement area, and behavioral health field.
- ❖ Facilitate empowerment through self determination of the Latino community.

### **Goal - Increase knowledge and understanding of culturally appropriate health services for Latinos.**

Objectives:

- ❖ Increase awareness of cultural perceptions regarding behavioral health within the Latino community.
- ❖ Identify health risk factors and protective factors in the Latino community.
- ❖ Focus on youth, the hope of our future; a multigenerational approach to services.

### Who should submit presentations?

- Researchers
- Scholars
- Educators conducting prevention programs in the school setting
- Community organizations
- Law enforcement officials
- Existing community networks
- Translation/Interpreting networks
- Behavioral health practitioners
- Religious leaders
- Psychologists
- Social work students
- Psychology students
- Social workers
- Latino studies students
- Social service providers
- Substance abuse providers
- Criminal justice professionals

**Student led forum:** A student led forum will be created for college students to share their work with fellow students and behavioral health professionals.

**Selection criteria:** Proposals should draw upon:

- Current community initiatives
- Research projects
- Model programs
- Effective networking initiatives

Proposals can demonstrate effectiveness of intervention or areas that need refining in order to improve service delivery or community empowerment. Program presentations should contain explicit details regarding the Latino population served and the context in which services are delivered.

**Abstract will be evaluated on the following criteria;** clear statements of purpose, design, methods, conclusions, applicability to practice, and conference theme. The lead presenter is responsible for forwarding information to co-presenters. Presenters must register for the conference and are expected to assume costs related to travel and accommodations.

**Presentation guideline:** 90 minutes

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**Proposed Title:**

Objectives:

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If you have more than two presenters, please attach additional forms so they can be featured in the program.

<b>Lead Presenter</b> Name:  Title: Affiliation: Address: City: State:            Zip:	<b>Co- Presenter</b> Name:  Title: Affiliation: Address: City: State:            Zip:
Phone: Fax: E-mail:	Phone: Fax: E-mail:

**Description**  
500 word maximum

**Abstract**

50 word maximum

**Audiovisual Equipment Needs**

Please indicate below:

Flipchart with markers  Yes  No

LCD projector (with presenter's own laptop computer)  Yes  No

TV / VCR  Yes  No

Internet connection  Yes  No

Other (please specify):

**Summit Display Participation**

Please indicate below:

Do you want to have a display table:  Yes  No      There is a \$125.00 fee for display table. If you have questions contact Stacey West at 1-800-229-5510

8-foot table or 6-foot table (please specify):  8-ft  6-ft

Electrical hookup:  Yes  No

Other (please specify):

**Biographical Information**

**Presenter 1**

Name:

Title:

Institution:

Biographical Information (100 word maximum):

**Presenter 2**

Name:

Title:

Institution:

Biographical Information (100 word maximum):

**Call for Proposal applications are due  
by June 27, 2008.**

Presenters will be notified of acceptance by  
July 15, 2008.

Presenters are awarded one complimentary  
registration with lunch.

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## **Call for Papers Application**

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