



Texas Child Care ADMINISTRATORS CONFERENCE

“Building Communities of Care”

October 16-18, 2017 • Houston
Westin Galleria Houston Hotel

Completed proposals can be mailed
or emailed to:

Texas Alliance of Child and Family
Services (TACFS)
409 West 13th Street
Austin, Texas 78701
Email: scombs@tacfs.org

Submit online at www.tacfs.org

Deadline: June 1, 2017

Questions? Contact Sarah Combs
Boruff at 512/892-2683.



Call for Workshop Proposals

The Texas Alliance of Child and Family Services invites experienced presenters to submit workshop proposals for our annual Texas Child Care Administrators Conference. The conference features high-level training for over 800 adoption, foster care, and residential child care professionals in Texas.

This year's theme, *Building Communities of Care*, celebrates the leadership of Texas' private providers in their commitment to building relationships and community collaborations that help develop the networks needed to best serve the children and youth in their care.

Proposals should include high-quality training and information on topics relevant to these professionals working as child care administrators, case management staff, public agency personnel, and community advocates. Presentations that address a broad spectrum of clinical and administrative issues for experienced professionals are welcomed.

SELECTION CRITERIA:

Workshop proposals will be selected based on their relevance to the conference theme and current issues in the child welfare system, engaging format, style, clarity, originality, ability to be replicated, relevance to target audience, appeal to staff at all levels of an organization, identification of best practices and techniques, and reflection of creative, innovative work that responds to client and staff needs (model programs).

Suggested topics include but are not limited to:

- Risk management
- Crisis prevention/behavior management (practice issues)
- Continuums of care and collaboration
- Fund/budget development
- Family group conferencing
- Innovative technology
- Kinship/relative care
- Child care licensing issues
- Financial management
- Psychotropic medication issues
- Education for children in care
- Community networks around foster care and adoption
- Quality assurance
- Managing change
- Board/administration relations
- Audits/fraud detection
- Legal/liability issues
- Issues specific to agencies that don't have state contracts
- Trauma-informed care
- Enhancing program outcomes
- Ethics
- Family services
- Outsourcing of services
- Children in dual systems
- Rural/metropolitan agency relations
- Transitional living services
- Best practice issues
- Responding to requests for proposals (RFP)
- Recruiting foster/adoptive families
- Secondary trauma of staff
- Performance-based contracting
- Case management
- Human resource issues
- Toolkits for rural agencies



**2017 Texas Child Care Administrators Conference
Workshop Proposal Submission Application Form**

Online submission is available at www.tacfs.org.

Please complete one form for each proposal.

Main Presenter Name

Agency/Organization

Address

City/State/Zip

Email

Phone

Please list co-presenters with title and organization: _____

Descriptive Workshop Title: _____

Target Audience (ex. administrators, clinicians, etc.): _____

Learning level of presentation:

Introductory

Intermediate

Advanced

Time required for this workshop (circle one):

90 minutes

2 hours

List any time during the conference that you will not be available: _____

Along with this completed form, please include:

- *Brief description of workshop for program brochure intended for attendees (What will they learn? Why should they attend? 3 to 5 sentences)
 - *Detailed description of workshop and presentation format. Is the workshop interactive or experimental? Does the workshop involve role-play, lecture and discussion, skill building, etc.? How will participants stay engaged throughout the session? What are the learning objectives?
 - *Brief biography for each presenter (100 words)
 - Please provide speaking references if you have never presented at the Texas Child Care Administrators Conference.
- * Please note: if your session is chosen, this may be edited for space.

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