

## Meaningful Care Conference 2024 REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS - Community Members

We are asking community members to be presenters, activity facilitators, and leaders for workshop sessions at the 2024 Two Spirit, Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer + (2SLGBTQ+) Meaningful Care Conference. The conference will take place on **Wednesday, March 27, 2024** in Portland, Oregon. **The Conference theme for 2024 is *Surviving and Thriving: Beyond Resilience*.** Presenters go to the conference for free. You can share an idea by [clicking this link](#).

The conference is one of the biggest chances for medical and social service providers on the West Coast to get education on 2SLGBTQ+ communities. It is held once every two years and over 400 people attend. For more information on the conference, please see our website: <https://meaningfulcare.org/>.

We are seeking beginning, intermediate, and advanced-level presentations/workshops. Examples include: speaking, group presentation, group discussions, and engaging workshops.

Sessions can be 15 - 20 minutes or up to 90 minutes. Some sessions may be asked to repeat, once in the morning and once in the afternoon.

The types of people who attend are medical care, social service, and health workers; city and county health officials; people going to school for healthcare and social services; and a wide variety of 2SLGBTQ+ community member voices.

**All presentations should relate to the 2024 Conference Theme - *Surviving and Thriving: Beyond Resilience*.** If you need support in creating your talk, presentation, panel, etc. please contact us and we will do our best to connect you with someone who can help. We must receive all ideas by the end of the day on **Sunday, December 3rd, 2023.**

### **We are looking for session topics like:**

- How to create safe and welcoming space for 2SLGBTQIA+ patients & clients (especially transgender individuals)
  - Providing respectful care
  - Thinking about people with many different lived identities
  - Diversity in healthcare & service organizations
- Activism, being an ally, and being an advocate
  - Understanding your rights and laws
  - Making changes in policies and laws within communities
  - De-escalation and self-defense
- Community and partnerships
  - Leadership and mentorship
  - Organizing from the ground up
  - How to bring people and organizations together to make changes
  - Mutual aid & collective care
- Gender-affirming care
  - Gender-affirming hormone therapies and surgeries
  - Mental health related gender-affirming care
  - How to counsel patients
- Multi-generational, inter-generational, and life span approaches
  - Youth-led, elder-guided
  - Accessible care for queer trans youth and older adults
  - Talking about the specific needs of queer trans older adults
  - Removing myths around gender-affirming care for youth
- Supporting culturally-specific individuals and communities
- Supporting rural & non-urban communities

### **When deciding on proposals we look for:**

- What you plan to do is clear and the goals set up for the session are possible
- Information that can be taken into healthcare and social service settings

- Session is related to theme of the conference and can be used in a variety of settings
- Talks about the wide variety of LGBTQ2S+ community and their health care concerns

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Please contact Rachel Greim at [rachel@oraetc.org](mailto:rachel@oraetc.org) or 971-373-5365 (call or text), with any questions.

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