

Vermont Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics Annual Meeting RFP

RFP Overview

The Vermont Academy is requesting proposals from speakers for our 2019 Annual Meeting who will provide high quality sessions focused on educational—not marketing—content.

Our conference theme for 2019 is “**Position for a Healthier Vermont.**” We are especially interested in proposals that focus on professional and research priorities for Registered Dietitian Nutritionists in promoting the health of Vermont as well as moving our profession forward.

Preference will be given to established speakers with new research-based content to share with our attendees—who have not presented at our conference the past two years—please consider submitting a proposal. All proposals must be submitted online and must be received by **5:00 p.m. on Friday, December 21, 2018.** No e-mailed proposals will be accepted this year.

Please review the detailed guidelines on the following pages before submitting your proposal.

“Position for a Healthier Vermont”

Burlington, VT | March 18, 2019

Areas of Interest

Vermont Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics leaders have identified key areas of interest in education sessions focused on the following areas. Please review this list and think about how your proposed educational session would address the three broad categories or one of the more narrowly defined areas within each category.

Clinical & Public Health	Food Systems and Food Service	Professional Development
Cutting edge Research:	Agriculture and Food Production:	Professional Development & Leadership
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Gut Microbiome • CBD Oil • Weight Management • Coaching and Counseling 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Climate Change Considerations • Bioavailability • Food Safety • Food Waste 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Verbal Communication • Facilitating Productive Staff Meetings • Strategic Planning
Clinical Setting:	Foodservice Management:	Public Policy & Advocacy:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elimination Diet • FODMAP • Diagnosing Malnutrition • Functional Medicine 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Tools and technology for Foodservice Operations • Staff training in the era of Me, Too • Marketing Health Options • Promoting Vermont Products 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Farm Bill • Policies and Regulations in Vermont • State of Federal Nutrition Funding and Priorities
Public Health:		Business & Private Practice:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Needs Assessment • Global initiatives • Developing Health Campaigns • Social Determinants & Food Access 		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Entrepreneurship • Starting a Nutrition-Based Non Profit • Using Social Media and Enhance your Practice

General Guides:

All proposals must be submitted online at:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSenzvd7Dq38GwSmZ7wMVU6w0Ou6Bblj7Rh_OE1DI50lr6cggw/viewform?usp=sf_link

Proposals are due by 5:00 pm on Friday, December 21, 2018

Late and/or incomplete proposals will not be considered.

Sponsored speakers/session will be considered but the content must be focused on education, free from marketing or marketing undertones.

We are happy to offer non-sponsored speakers the following compensation packages:

Complimentary one-day conference registration, and \$200 honorarium or up to \$200 reimbursement for air and ground transportation, or \$300 for both honorarium and travel.

No more than two speakers can be included for each proposal. If two speakers are included in one session, the maximum honorarium per speaker is \$150.

Evaluation Criteria:

Proposals will be reviewed and scored by members of the Program Planning Committee based on the following criteria:

- Is the topic timely and relevant to one of the areas of interest of our members?
- Does the speaker provide an innovative perspective or a unique approach to the topic?
- Is the speaker a recognized expert in this topic area based on years of experience, research, or education?
- If the speaker is an RD or RDN, is he/she a member of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics?
- If the speaker is not an RD or RDN, does he/she have other credentials that provide some indication of expertise?
- Is the session proposal based on providing level II or level III content?
- Will the speaker use a dynamic presentation style to engage the audience?