

Present at NSRH's 7th Annual Activist Conference, *Nurses Rising: Advocating for Sexual and Reproductive Health!*

Nurses for Sexual and Reproductive Health (NSRH) is now accepting proposals for its 7th Annual Activist Conference, ***Nurses Rising: Advocating for Sexual and Reproductive Health***, which will be held September 27-29th in Atlanta, Georgia!

NSRH believes in the power of nurses to rise up, bringing new light and hope to healthcare. That's why we're building a home for nurses, nurse practitioners, midwives, educators and students of those professions. In a time when abortion and contraception is on the line, Black maternal health is in crisis, and critical care for LGBTQ patients is being denied, we need to come together more than ever for healthcare access. This year, we're pulling up our scrub sleeves and digging in: *What is our role in the fight to not only provide accessible, affordable and comprehensive healthcare, but to advocate for the rights of our patients? In the midst of a healthcare system that often leaves so many behind, how can we be a voice for justice?*

As we support nurses rising to the top of their field, we also support them in raising their voices for justice. This year's conference will provide organizing and advocacy strategies while examining key reproductive justice (RJ) issues that shape daily nursing practice. NSRH is excited to present new staff, programming and tools for advancing nurses as professionals. Education and training sessions will equip nurses with skills to provide full-spectrum sexual and reproductive health (SRH), while including ongoing learning opportunities and resources. We'll foster mentorships across the field and showcase a new digital portal for building community.

We invite nurses, nurse practitioners, midwives and educators and students of those professions as well as advocates in the field to submit a proposal for the 7th Annual Activist Conference. Proposals should be for 60 minute presentations or panels and include a **title, name of presenter(s) and primary contact, paragraph summary, clearly stated objectives, target audience and desired materials/tech needed**. We are looking for presentations that ideally include the following:

- At least 20-30 minutes of interactive activity and/or audience engagement. This can include Q & A; group/partner work; role-playing; journaling or visioning exercises; opinion polling and/or icebreaker activities; or case study analysis and discussion.
- CREATIVITY. We encourage presenters to consider using dynamic presentation models, such as the Prezi software, to achieve more interactive, engaging presentations. You [can watch this video](#) to learn more, and also visit prezi.com to sign-up for your free account!
- INCLUSIVITY. All presentations should be inclusive and incorporate discussion and content related to gender and sexuality, racism and bias, and reproductive justice.

- Topics that address one or more of the following areas:
 - Nurse Organizing and Advocacy
 - Media and communications training
 - Leveraging unions
 - State nursing board advocacy
 - Interprofessional organizing within healthcare, as in clinic organizing, etc.
 - Coalition-building: building the nurse voice in coalitions
 - Bringing SRH/RJ into mainstream nursing organizations, including abortion care
 - Sexual and Reproductive Rights
 - Federal: SCOTUS and Roe v Wade, Hyde Amendment, Title X, HHS religious and moral exemptions, etc.
 - State: physician-only laws, contraception laws, etc.
 - Reproductive Justice
 - Maternal health crisis, and in particular, Black maternal health
 - Trans and gender affirming care
 - Insurance coverage and access
 - Migrant care
 - Poor and working-class care
 - Care for people in rural areas
 - Sexual and Reproductive Health
 - STIs/STDs: HIV/AIDS and/or PrEP, HPV and cervical cancer, super gonorrhea, etc.
 - Contraception: LARCs (from RJ lens)/IUD insertion, over the counter oral contraceptives, etc.
 - Miscarriage management
 - Telemedicine
 - Self-managed care, self-managed abortion, etc.
 - Options counseling
 - Healthcare Culture & Frameworks
 - Patient-centered care
 - Trauma-informed care
 - Culturally-relevant and respectful care

Proposals will be accepted on a rolling basis until May 17th, 2019. Please email your proposal to conference@nsrh.org. Please use 'NSRH Conference Proposal' in the subject line and send all content as Word or PDF attachments, NOT in the body of the email.

Applicants should expect to hear a response regarding their proposal by June 14th, 2019. Upon selection, presenters will be offered free conference registration. All expenses outside of the conference registration fee will be at the presenter's expense. AV and technical support should be discussed with NSRH staff prior to July 1st, 2019.