



## **Call for Presenters**

Compass Mark invites you to submit a proposal to present at the Positive Change Conference on April 3-4, 2024. The Positive Change Conference is an annual professional development conference hosted by Compass Mark, in collaboration with Millersville University and the Lancaster County Drug & Alcohol Commission. Last year, over 300 attendees participated in this 2-day virtual learning event – representing community members, students, and service providers involved in the fields of education, criminal justice, behavioral health, substance use prevention/treatment/recovery, law enforcement, healthcare, and other sectors.

The theme for this year's conference is ***Bridging the Gaps: Building Integrated Systems of Care***. Presenters are invited to submit proposals that address this theme and related topics including, but not limited to: Best Practices / Innovation, Collaborative Approaches, Equity and Inclusion, Workforce, Trauma-Informed Care, Social Determinants of Health, Digital Technologies, Peer Support, Access Barriers / Navigation, Emerging Trends, Addressing Stigma, and Co-Occurring Mental Health / Substance Use.

Presentations should also fit within one of the following three workshop tracks for conference attendees: Education & Schools, Prevention, and Treatment & Recovery.

### **Presenter Requirements:**

Proposals must demonstrate alignment with the conference theme and/or a related topic identified above. Presenters should specify on the application whether they will provide a 60-minute or 120-minute presentation (inclusive of time for Question & Answer) or are open to either option. All presentations will be delivered live using a virtual WebEx platform, therefore presenters must have experience delivering presentations in a virtual format and have access to a laptop with video-conference capabilities and a reliable high-speed internet connection. Recognizing that conference attendees learn in diverse ways, presentations that incorporate interactive components and engaging visuals are strongly encouraged.

All proposals must be submitted via email to Staci Strauss at [sstrauss@compassmark.org](mailto:sstrauss@compassmark.org) by Monday, December 18, 2023. Please include the subject line: "2024 Positive Change Conference: Presenter Proposal"

### **Notification of Selection:**

Selected presenters will be notified by email by January 1, 2024. Additional conference details will be shared on Compass Mark's website at <https://www.compassmark.org/training/positive-change-conference/>

### **Selection Criteria:**

The selection of presenters is at the sole discretion of the Positive Change Conference Planning Committee. The following criteria may be considered:

1. The presentation submission form is completed and includes all requested attachments.
2. The summary/description of the presentation is clearly articulated.
3. The objectives of the presentation are clearly stated and defined.
4. Presenters have sufficient experience and knowledge of the subject matter.
5. Presenters are representative of the diversity of experience and backgrounds of our community.
6. The proposed presentation adds to and balances the variety of topics at the conference.



## **Presentation Submission Form**

Please complete this form in its entirety and submit it with the other requested attachments. All proposals must be sent via email to Staci Strauss at [sstrauss@compassmark.org](mailto:sstrauss@compassmark.org) by Monday, December 18, 2023. Please include the subject line: "2024 Positive Change Conference: Presenter Proposal"

**Presentation Title:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Presentation Track:**              Education & Schools              Prevention              Treatment & Recovery

**Preferred Presentation Date:**              April 3 (Morning)              April 4 (Morning)              Either Day

**Length of Presentation (including Q/A):**              60 minutes              120 minutes              Open to Either

### **Presenter Contact Information**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Credential / License (Ex: PhD, LSW, etc): \_\_\_\_\_  
Job Title: \_\_\_\_\_  
Company / Organization: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Proposal Submission**

Please include the following as attachments with this submission form:

- ✓ Presenter Bio (1 paragraph)
- ✓ Presenter Photo (high quality file)
- ✓ Presentation Synopsis, including a 2-3 sentence summary, content outline, and learning objectives
- ✓ Requested Fee (if any)

### **By submitting this proposal and signing below, I acknowledge the following:**

1. I have enclosed a brief speaker bio and photo that may be used on the virtual conference platform.
2. I have included a presentation synopsis, including a 2-3 sentence summary of the presentation, content outline, and clear learning objectives for session attendees.
3. I have provided my current contact information on the submission form.
4. If selected as a presenter, I agree to provide a live presentation on the identified conference date and will deliver the presentation from a location with a reliable, high-speed internet connection using my own laptop computer with video-conference capabilities.
5. I acknowledge that I am the sole proprietor of the presentation material and no property rights, trademarks, or copyrights have been violated.
6. I understand that all presentation materials and powerpoint slides must be delivered to the Positive Change Conference Planning Committee 30 days in advance of the conference.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**THIS IS NOT A CONTRACT**