

# HIV/AIDS 2010: THE SOCIAL WORK RESPONSE

The Twenty-Second Annual National Conference on Social Work and HIV/AIDS

THEME: "DIRECT SOCIAL WORK PRACTICE WITH HIV/AIDS CLIENTS: CURRENT APPROACHES"

CALL FOR PRESENTATION PROPOSALS... SUBMISSION DEADLINE IS DECEMBER 31, 2009

ALSO, SEE INFORMATION FOR OUR "EARLY-BIRD" REGISTRATION FEE DISCOUNT

## CONFERENCE VENUE:

Hyatt Regency Denver  
at Colorado Convention Center  
Thursday, May 27  
(begins 4:30 pm) through  
Sunday, May 30, 2010  
(ends 1:00 pm)

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*This four-day annual national conference has been conducted on a continuous basis since 1989, organized by Boston College Graduate School of Social Work.*

## DEAR COLLEAGUE:

Please join me and over 500 other AIDS-care social workers in May at our twenty-second annual conference, to be held in the beautiful City of Denver.

I hope you will consider submitting a conference presentation proposal at this time. As always, this year we again plan to offer over one hundred presentations from all areas of HIV/AIDS social work practice at our four-day conference. Conference sessions begin at 4:30 PM on Thursday, May 27 and conclude at 1:00 PM on Sunday, May 30. There also will be several informal "meet and greet" receptions and social events during all four days. Opportunities to continue conversations from our 2009 conference that deal with "re-branding" HIV/AIDS social work in these challenging times will also be scheduled.

Information about submitting your presentation proposal can be found herein. You will also find information about how to save significantly on your conference registration fee and how to make your reservation at our conference hotel. We greatly appreciate the support of our 2010 local co-sponsoring organization, the Mountain Plains AIDS Education and Training Center. I look forward to see you at the conference in May!

Sincerely,

Vincent J. Lynch, MSW, Ph.D.  
Conference Founder and Chair

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Please Read Carefully All Proposal Preparation Information Below: All proposals must provide:

#### FIRST:

A brief title.

#### SECOND:

A concise summary of proposed content (word lengths outlined below).

#### THIRD:

The name(s), degree(s) and institutional affiliation(s) for all contributors, including city and state. Also, specify the name and e-mail of *one contributor* to whom we should direct all our correspondence.

#### FOURTH:

Designation of one presentation category (selected from the four below) for which you'd like your proposal considered.

**20-Minute Brief Reports** (least competitive category). The brief report is a 20-minute oral presentation paired with one other presentation on a similar topic and scheduled during a 60-minute period, thus leaving some time for questions and discussion. Brief report sessions will be scheduled with other concurrent sessions in the same time block. Presenters might discuss informal findings/observations from direct practice or perhaps report on some preliminary findings from an ongoing research project. Proposal summaries in this category should not exceed 250 words.

**60-Minute Poster Sessions** (moderately competitive category). Posters provide informal discussion opportunities about innovative programs and services. Up to twenty poster presenters will be assigned to a meeting room at a designated time and they will stand by their 24" X 36" rigidly mounted poster (placed on an easel). The poster will contain the title and key “talking points” on the topic. Presenters informally discuss their topic with those who visit their poster station. Presenters can bring handouts for distribution if they wish. Proposal summaries in this category should not exceed 300 words.

**75-Minute Individual Workshops** (highly competitive category). These are intended to be in-depth discussions on selected topics from direct practice, research, or policy. A limited number of slots are available in this category. Up to six of these sessions will be offered concurrently. Proposal summaries in this category should not exceed 350 words.

**90-Minute Advanced Content Workshops** (most competitive category). An extremely small number of these 90-minute advanced sessions are available. Content must be clearly geared to an audience with at least five years of HIV/AIDS practice experience. These presentations will address practice, research or policy issues from advanced perspectives and will be scheduled along with up to five other sessions in the same time block. Proposal summaries in this category should not exceed 500 words. Tell us clearly how you will tailor the presentation to an advanced audience.

**IMPORTANT:** The deadline for receipt of all submissions is December 31, 2009. Decisions will be made on a “rolling basis” so it is highly advantageous to submit proposals as soon as possible since space is very limited. In most cases you will receive a decision by e-mail within ten business days. Those proposals accepted by mid-December will be listed in our January registration flier as part of the “Partial Preview of Presentations”.

Please send your e-mail submission as a “Microsoft Word” file attachment (.doc) to Gina Mulvaney at [mulvaneg@bc.edu](mailto:mulvaneg@bc.edu)

**THE CONFERENCE WILL BEGIN AT 4:30 PM ON THURSDAY MAY 27 AND WILL CONCLUDE AT 1:00 PM ON SUNDAY MAY 30.**

**General Questions:** Contact Dr. Vincent Lynch at [lynchv@bc.edu](mailto:lynchv@bc.edu) or 617.552.4038.

**“Early-Bird Registration Fee”:** All who register by January 15, 2010 pay only \$175. After January 15, the standard registration fee will be \$275. Presenters who register after January 15 pay a “Presenters’ Discount” registration fee of \$225. Students may register for \$175 at any time.

**Continuing Education Credits:** All who attend receive a Certificate of Attendance and 24.0 social work continuing education credits from Boston College Graduate School of Social Work.

**Hotel Information:** A limited number of guest rooms are available at the beautiful and contemporary Hyatt Regency Denver- at Colorado Convention Center for our special rate of \$125 per night (single or double). The hotel is centrally located at 650 15th Street. Phone the hotel’s reservation line directly at (303) 436-1234. Ask for the Boston College AIDS Conference Rate... Reserve Your Room Soon!

**“EARLY-BIRD”  
REGISTRATION FORM  
(ONLY \$175 UNTIL 1/15/10)**

For online registration please go to:  
[bc.edu/schools/gssw/academics/ce/conferences.html](http://bc.edu/schools/gssw/academics/ce/conferences.html)  
... then, go to “Click Here to Register Online” and proceed.  
For mail-in registrations please follow directions below.

**EXHIBITOR INFORMATION:**

Our exhibit area will be open Thursday, Friday and Saturday during the conference period. This is an excellent way to sell your product, promote your services, recruit staff, or in other ways get your organization’s important message out to more than 500 HIV/AIDS social workers from across the country. Exhibitors typically represent for-profit businesses, government agencies, non-profit organizations... just to name a few. For your exhibitor fee you will receive booth/table space and one conference registration good for admission to all activities.

**Fees:**

Non-Profit Organizations: \$500

For-Profit Organizations: \$750

Contact Dr. Vincent Lynch with questions or to make your exhibit reservation at [lynchv@bc.edu](mailto:lynchv@bc.edu) or 617.552.4038.

**SPACE IS LIMITED... ACT QUICKLY.**

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Please note: A limited number of registration fee waivers are available to people living with HIV. For more information please e-mail [lynchv@bc.edu](mailto:lynchv@bc.edu)

Mail-in Payment Directions:

\_\_\_\_\_ By check: Make your \$175 check payable to Boston College GSSW

\_\_\_\_\_ By credit card: Please complete in full.

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Please mail this completed registration form with payment to:

Dr. Vincent J. Lynch  
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140 Commonwealth Avenue  
Chestnut Hill, MA 02467

Phone: 617.552.4038; Boston College Tax ID Number is:  
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