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2016 WINTER TRAINING INSTITUTE

*Atlanta*

JANUARY 31 - FEBRUARY 3, 2016

CALL FOR PRESENTERS

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The American Probation and Parole Association is pleased to issue a Call for Presenters for the 2016 Winter Training Institute to be held in Atlanta, Georgia, January 31-February 3, 2016. The underlying goal of this training institute is to provide participants with workshop opportunities that emphasize skill-building, increase relevant competencies and enhance overall career development. Because of this, preference will be given to workshop proposals that provide evidence of skill-building for participants (i.e., activities, audience participation, practicing new skills) as well as significant knowledge enhancement and new research for the field of community corrections.



Institute participants include community supervision personnel, the judiciary, treatment providers, criminal justice researchers and others who are interested in the field of community corrections (pretrial, probation, parole and community programming).

For this Training Institute, we will feature workshops that spotlight justice reinvestment initiatives in the states. Justice reinvestment helps states identify the cause of rising costs and cultivate practical solutions. These solutions and policies are only as good as their implementation. Justice reinvestment also helps assist states in developing and executing effective, practical plans and justice reinvestment procedure outcomes to ensure that states stay on course. In addition, justice reinvestment generates a great deal of criminal justice data to help policymakers understand what is driving crime, recidivism and prison populations.<sup>1</sup>

In addition, we will also feature workshops which focus on reinvestment in ourselves and in our staff. Particularly as it pertains to helping staff deal with compassion fatigue and other effects of secondary trauma, proper equipment and other safety related topics, as well as advancements in, or needs relating to technology and how it can assist us in completing our work more effectively and efficiently.

Other presentations should relate to one or more of the following topics:

- **Community Supervision** (*Agency operations and supervision or decision-making for those who are to be or have been released from prison, are under court jurisdiction in lieu of prison or jail; involving case planning; assessments; reporting; interventions.*)
- **Gender Issues and Diversity** (*Addresses supervising and/or working with individuals with various gender identities as well as multi-cultural and multi-generational workforces.*)
- **Health and Safety** (*Safety for professionals in the field and office in addition to stress management and vicarious trauma.*)
- **International** (*Community corrections issues including but not limited to advancing practices; administrative/policy innovations; juvenile and family justice innovations; restorative justice; and behavioral health from an international standpoint.*)
- **Judicial** (*Community corrections professionals working within a court system and policies; procedures of courts and specialty courts.*)
- **Juvenile Justice** (*Issues; programs; policies dealing with individuals under the jurisdiction of the juvenile court.*)



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- **Leadership and Management** (Professional development for executive and middle management.)
- **Local Issues** (Programs and policies specific to an agency or geographical area; state; jurisdiction in proximity to the Institute site.)
- **Mental Health and Substance Abuse** (Working with individuals with mental health or substance abuse issues; promising treatment.)
- **Pretrial** (Agency operations and/or the supervision of defendants prior to trial or court adjudication or on diversionary status.)
- **Prevention** (Lowering recidivism; programs to prevent crime and re-offending; restorative justice.)
- **Reentry** (Planning and programming for individuals released from prisons, jails or residential placement.)
- **Research/EBP** (Presentation of data collection and analysis, evidence-based practices outcomes and programs.)
- **Technology** (Tools used for supervision; monitoring; testing.)
- **Victims' Issues** (Working with victims; restitution; offenders as victims; Prison Rape Elimination Act.)

The above-suggested topics are not all-inclusive. Other topics related to the field of community supervision and corrections are acceptable.

## SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

Persons interested in submitting a proposal for consideration must provide the following information needed to comply with APPA training accreditation requirements and to apply for permission to grant continuing education units to a variety of professions (i.e., Social Workers, Substance Abuse Counselors, Continuing Legal Education, etc.):

**Length of Workshop:** 90 minutes (workshops held on Monday, February 1 and Tuesday, February 2).

**Sunday and Wednesday Sessions:** 4 to 8 hour sessions (to be held on Sunday, January 31) and 90 minute sessions (to be held on Wednesday, February 3).

**Workshop Title:** A snappy title that catches the attention of participants and identifies the primary focus of the workshop (APPA reserves the right to change or adjust the title of a workshop).

**Workshop Description:** A clear, concise, accurate description of the workshop as it will appear in the program (no more than 150 words) (APPA reserves the right to change the construct of a workshop description).

**Training/Learning Objectives:** Describe the measurable skills, knowledge and/or new capacity the participant will gain as a result of workshop (i.e., at the end of the training, participants will be able to list five of 10 causes of suicide.). List a minimum of three training/learning objectives.

**Activity:** Please describe any activities that will be used in the presentation. The activity will not be listed in the program, but will assist with program selection. Preference will be given to presentations that are skill-based in nature (i.e., participants will be asked to complete a group activity to discuss potential steps to implement 'x, y, z program' at their home agency.), or that present new research relevant to the field of community corrections.

**Faculty Information:** Provide name, title, agency, address, phone and email for all proposed faculty.

Submissions lacking any of this information will not be considered. Panel presentations should consist of no more than two or three persons; however, a fourth can be added as a moderator.

**Resume or Vitae:** Include brief resume or vitae of each faculty member.

**Primary Contact:** Submit name and complete contact information (including email address) for person submitting workshop proposal.

If you are an APPA corporate member, please submit your workshop proposal directly to Karen Mucci at APPA (859-244-8205, kmucci@csg.org).

If you are submitting a workshop on behalf of a federal agency such as the Bureau of Justice Assistance, the National Institute of Justice, the Office for Victims of Crime, etc., please submit your workshop proposal(s) directly to APPA Executive Director Carl Wicklund (859-244-8216, cwicklund@csg.org).

**Other workshop proposals should be submitted via Survey Monkey** (<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/APPAAtlanta>) **by July 20, 2015 in order to be considered.** Questions regarding submissions should be directed to the National Program Chair:

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Please note that the APPA National Program Committee and its Chair, Gene Cotter, will make final decisions regarding the selection of workshops for the program. APPA will contact the presenters of the workshops(s) on or about October 1, 2015 to indicate their selection for the Institute. Please note that it is APPA's policy that, regrettably, expenses and fees associated with participation cannot be reimbursed by APPA.

## ENDNOTES

1 Referenced from <http://csgjusticecenter.org/jr/about/>.