



## CALL FOR SESSIONS GUIDE

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Thank you for your interest in submitting a session for the **NAMPI 2021 Virtual Conference** being held September 13 - 15, 2021. As leaders in program integrity, you are the experts, the visionaries and the leaders that are helping to shape the future of Medicaid program integrity.

The NAMPI Board is seeking session submissions for this year's program that will provide participants with new ideas and critical updates from across the field, while also sharing best practices and lessons learned. **Only submissions from state and federal professionals** will be accepted through this call for sessions process. Information on how to secure a vendor sponsor session is available in the 2021 sponsor prospectus.

The information below is designed to assist you in developing your session submission. We encourage you to take a few minutes to read through the information and familiarize yourself with recommended session topics. Examples of topics included in each category are listed below. This is not intended as a comprehensive list and other topics will be accepted. If you don't see your topic, submit in our 'Other' category and include a statement explaining why the topic is relevant.

The deadline for submissions is **Friday, June 4, 2021**.

If your session is selected for the 2021 program, you will be contacted by NAMPI Conference Management to confirm your session date and time and to discuss logistics around your virtual participation as a speaker.

### SUGGESTED SESSION TOPICS

#### **Investigative Skills**

Submissions should focus on how to build the investigative skills of program integrity personnel. Investigative skills are not the same as audit skills and conducting sound investigations require particular skillsets. Presentation proposals should include details about what skill sets are the focus of the presentation and should detail how to build these skill sets. Examples could include how to use data analysis to form the basis for the investigative plan, how to infuse interviews in a non-law enforcement investigations, or how to present investigative findings to supervisors or law enforcement. Other aspects of investigations and investigative concepts may include investigation processes, report writing, or including



technology such as social media tools or IP address research into investigations. Other examples may include nuances for investigations in specified provider types such as DME, Behavioral Health, or Home Health.

### **Auditing Best Practices**

Submissions should focus audit-specific issues such as the use of statistical sampling, peer review requirements, unique skill sets particular to auditing (e.g., attention to detail and ability to testify well in court). Presentation proposals should include details about what “best practices” are the focus of the presentation and should detail how to master these practices. Examples include audit processes, report writing, and nuances for audits in specified provider types such physician audits vs. hospital audits.

### **Legal Concepts for the PI Professional**

Session proposals should be geared toward laws that are pertinent to PI Professionals. Examples may include general discovery issues, elements of compliance plans and anti-fraud plans (from a federal perspective), HIPAA, ACA components, Health Care Fraud and Abuse Control Program, federal anti-trust laws, and several health care fraud provisions, including:

- Anti-kickback Statute – 42 USC 1320a-7b
- Stark Anti-Referral Statute – 42 USC 1395nn
- Civil False Claims Act 31 -- USC sections 3729-3733
- Civil Monetary Penalties Statute – 42 USC 1320a-7a
- Health Care Fraud Statute – 18 USC 1347
- Health Care Benefit Program False Statements Statute – 18 USC 1035
- Mail Fraud – 18 USC 1341
- Wire Fraud – 18 USC 1343
- Criminal False Statements -- 18 USC 1001
- Money Laundering – 18 USC 1956
- USA Patriot Act

Other legal issues of relevance, such as how to maximize forfeiture proceedings to the benefit of the PI Unit, would also be included in this category.

### **Fraud Schemes Related to ...**

For each of the categories related to fraud schemes (Pharmacy and Prescription Drugs, Behavioral Health, Beneficiary Fraud, or other substantive fraud schemes) presentations should describe information such as: how did the investigation begin, what were the red flags or other indicators that served as the initial “detection”, how was the investigation conducted, who conducted the investigation (PI, other, partnership).



### **Program Integrity Partnerships**

Submissions should focus on how to build and sustain effective partnerships with state and federal government, provider organizations, managed care organizations, educational organizations, professional associations, and any other partners who can help aid in fraud prevention, detection, and enforcement/prosecution efforts. Presentation submissions may include how to overcome hurdles or highlight successes at cooperatively working to improve outcomes.

### **COVID-19**

We will also be considering case studies, best practices and lessons learned on dealing with increased fraud and the challenges presented during the COVID-19 pandemic and how it may apply to future pandemics and national emergencies.

### **Other**

If you didn't see the topics you are interested in submitting represented in the list, please submit your proposal in the 'Other' category.