CALL FOR PRESENTATIONS

2025 Michigan Critical Access Hospital Conference

CONFERENCE THEME

VISION TO ACTION:
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CONFERENCE DATE & LOCATION

NOVEMBER 6-7, 2025
PARK PLACE HOTEL | TRAVERSE CITY, MI

The Michigan Center for Rural Health supports Critical Access Hospitals (CAHs) through the Medicare Rural Hospital Flexibility (FLEX) Grant Program. This program provides grants to strengthen rural healthcare in areas such as quality improvement, financial operations, emergency services, and population health.

The Critical Access Hospital Conference gathers Michigan CAH leaders (CEOs, CFOs, CNOs, and Directors of Patient Safety and Quality) to share best practices and foster collaboration on topics such as digital health, workforce, and quality.

PROPOSAL SUBMISSION DEADLINE:

MONDAY, JULY 21, 2025

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AVAILABLE PRESENTATION FORMATS

ORAL PRESENTATION

A 60-minute session, including time for questions and answers. These presentations must limit the number of speakers to no more than two (2). A microphone, laptop, slide advancer, and projector will be provided for slide decks.

- Interactive presentations encouraged

FACILITATED/PANEL DISCUSSION

A 60-minute dicussion-based session, including time for questions and answers. These proposals must limit the number of speakers to no more than three (3) and have a facilitator (total of 4). Microphones are provided.

No additional co-presenters may be added after a proposal is accepted.

DETAILS

- The planning committee will evaluate proposals that address the proposed topics (see page 3).

- Incomplete proposals will not be considered.

- The conference committee is interested in proposals for all of the above formats. Based on the evaluation of proposals by the committee, some presenters may be asked to be part of a panel presentation to allow for multiple presentations on a similar theme.

- The MCRH Planning Committee will review all submissions, presenters will be notified on the status of their submission no later than August 15, 2025.

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CONFERENCE TOPICS

Content related to the focus areas below are of particular interest:
- Innovation Success Strategies in the Evolving Rural Health Landscape:
  - Digital health and technology to advance patient care
  - Best practices around patient safety
  - Improving access to behavioral health
  - Success in alternative payment models
  - "Hot" operational topics
- Workforce Solutions
- CAHs and Rural Health Clinic Linkages
- Legislative Priorities for Rural Health
- Social Drivers of Health Resources - Successes and Learned Lessons

PEER TO PEER PRESENTATIONS FROM MICHIGAN CAHS WANTED!

IMPORTANT DATES

July 21
Proposal submission deadline

August 15
Presenters notified of submission status

October 30
Deadline to submit slide decks or other presentation handouts.

November 6-7
Conference Dates

SUBMISSION FAQS

When will I know if my proposal has been accepted?
All presenters will be notified of the status of their submission on or around August 15, 2025.

If my proposal is accepted, what is expected of me?
- Each presenter may register for the conference, using a promo code for free registration (that will be provided).
- Confirm if lodging is required, MCRH will support your stay.
- Submit slide decks at least 1 week prior to the conference.
- No speaker fees are provided.

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PROPOSAL SUBMISSION CHECKLIST

1. Identify the lead presenter.
2. Determine which presentation format best fits your presentation.
3. Compile other presentation information.
   - Presentation title
   - Presenters: 2 presenters for oral presentations and 4 total for panel discussions (including the facilitator). Please note that no additional presenters may be added after the proposal is accepted. All presenters will be listed in the agenda.
   - Presentation description/abstract.
   - Presentation objectives: include 2-3 measurable objectives.
   - A proposed learning outcome.
   - Identify the learner engagement strategies you will incorporate.
   - Evidence for the presentation topic. This can be research, documentation, websites, statistics, or other information that supports the topic (within the last 5 years). A bibliography-reference list is preferred.
4. Gather personal information for *each* presenter to submit:
   - Resume/CV
   - Financial disclosures with ineligible companies
   - Biosketch
   - Headshot/photos

Submit your proposal online using this application form:

SUBMISSION FORM

OR scan this QR Code:

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