CALL FOR PRESENTATIONS
PATH 2019 International Summit & Tradeshow
December 18-20, 2019
Renaissance Arlington, Capitol View, Washington, DC

PATH is the newly emerging and rapidly growing forum and change-agent focused on the convergence of 21st Century technology that is transforming the delivery of healthcare services: **artificial intelligence, automation, telehealth, and robotics.** PATH's goal is to accelerate this transformation, especially as it affects direct care services. The organization is a unique combination of professional and trade associations. It is member-based, future focused and an active change agent

Attendees at the PATH Summit will include those who are interested in being a part of this exciting transformation. **This should include you!** Whether you are new or experienced; academic, clinical provider or vendor; payor or regulator; CEO or technician, PATH 2019 will bring quality educational presentations, presented by thought-leaders from across the globe, and include opportunities for unparalleled networking.

THE 2019 SUMMIT LOCATION

The meeting will be held in the surprising new heart of one of the fastest growing and exciting centers of hi-tech on the east Coast: Crystal City, Virginia. Crystal City is the new home of Amazon's second headquarters and home to the Pentagon, hundreds of new technology start-ups, large military companies, government agencies and many investment firms. Located across from the nation's Capital and next to Reagan Airport it offers access to transportation, power, innovation, and money.

THE 2019 SUMMIT PROGRAM

We are welcoming presentation proposals for the 2019 meeting that target both domestic and international applications. Submissions that encourage interactive discussions and audience engagement are highly preferred. PATH 2019 will emphasize the value components of these innovations by:
- demonstrating their impact on quality, access and productivity;
- identifying clinical and business best practices; and
- pinpointing changes needed across regulatory environments.

Continuing Education Credits will be available.

The accompanying **tradeshow** will display related products and services and be an opportunity to see what is available and interact with vendors and customers.

Submission Deadline: July 1, 2019, 11:59 pm Eastern Time

PATH's education program will address four topics.

1. **Clinical-Service Use Cases** Showcasing real-world applications of advanced technology used in clinical decision making that can be duplicated or adapted elsewhere. PATH is especially interested in approaches using AI, automation, robotics, or telehealth applications within hospitals, primary care, specialty care, long-term care, and other key settings of the healthcare industry. Case studies must include measurable outcomes in access, productivity and/or quality of care. Presentation must include recommendations for how other healthcare providers can integrate the application within their own operations: lessons learned. Examples include:
   - AI applications involving diagnostics, decision making and/or treatment
   - Robotics guided through artificial intelligence
   - Integration of AI or other advanced applications with telehealth
   - Neural networks use in identification of disease and allocation of public health resources

2. **Retail and Direct-to-Consumer Applications** Rapidly expanding direct-to-consumer and retail healthcare applications including innovations in AI, handheld diagnostic and therapeutic technologies that can be used by consumers, as well as the use of advanced telecommunication services to connect providers to patients through telehealth or online access. This may include fully scaled operational services to early stage explorations. Examples include:
   - Automated language processing and speech recognition for remote monitoring and interaction with patients
   - Home-based applications using advanced technologies for medical triage
   - Retail clinics supplemented with artificial intelligence in disease identification and proposed treatment approaches

3. **Technology Sensations** These sessions will focus on merging innovations and discoveries involving AI, deep learning, image analysis, machine learning, robotics, automated processes, telehealth, genomics, language processing, speech recognition, drug discovery, bioinformatics, and neural networks for delivering healthcare services. These are new, not-ready-for-commercialization discoveries that are in the pilot stages and directly focused on healthcare delivery. Wow us.

4. **Helping Others** Also, of special interest, are innovations in advanced technology that are documented to achieve measurable improvement in health disparities. Examples include:
   - Automated disease surveillance and population health for developing nations
   - Providing rapid, low-cost, easy-to-use identification and treatment of diseases among the poor

THREE PRESENTATION FORMATS

An abstract should be submitted as one of the following presentation formats that best describes the content of the submission.

A. **Individual Oral Presentation**
   Independent presentation (1 presenter) that will be placed within a concurrent session and specific track/subject area. Speakers will be allotted 15-20 minutes for presentation. If not accepted for an oral presentation, abstracts in this category will automatically be considered for poster presentation.

B. **ePoster Presentation**
   ePoster presentation topics should address an important area of interest. ePosters may include research or case studies. A poster submission should be timely, contain innovative information and findings on original research, case studies, practices, and approaches. Young investigators and trainees are strongly encouraged to submit. Digital

ePosters are displayed at designated dates and times during the conference. ePoster presenters will be assigned to an ePoster Session for interaction and presentation with attendees at their ePoster.

C. **Pre-Meeting Certificate Course**
Certificate courses (3 hours) provide comprehensive coverage of a specific topic. Courses will be held prior to the official start of the meeting. Incomplete proposals will not be considered for review.

SELECTION CRITERIA

All abstract submissions go through a peer-review process to guarantee the integrity and relevance of the educational content. Peer reviewers from all membership constituencies, including private, academic, corporate, institutional, and government sectors, carefully review and score abstracts to ensure that the PATH 2019 International Conference & Tradeshow educational program is of the highest quality and value and is geared toward meeting the diverse needs of those in attendance. High on our list are presentations that provide a high level of detail or specificity and highlight practical applications, lessons learned, and outcomes/evidence. Submissions will be reviewed and scored in seven areas.

- **Merit:** What value will this presentation bring? Will the presentation impart valuable and practical lessons/takeaway points on how to overcome barriers and challenges facing healthcare? Does the presentation solve a specific problem? From the narrative description, is the work conceptual, in progress, or has it been in operation for some time? (30 points)
- **Clarity of Abstract:** Is the abstract description well-written? Does it clearly, concisely, and logically convey the intent of the presentation and support the content level, title, background, objectives, takeaways and conclusions. Does the title accurately describe the presentation? (15 points)
- **Innovation:** Is the topic innovative and promoting cutting-edge applications and technology? Will the presentation address and attempt to overcome current gaps in knowledge or in the market? Has this information been presented before? (15 points)
- **Relevance to Subject Area:** Are the topics timely and relevant to the activities, initiatives or direction of PATH? Will the topic have implications in the future? Will this topic be of interest to the meeting attendees? (10 points)
- **Non-Promotional/Commercial in Nature:** Is this proposal educational in nature and non-commercial in content? Proposals that are written in a manner that promotes a product, company, or service will not be considered for presentation. (10 points)
- **Data and Outcomes: (applicable to research presentations):** Has evidence/outcomes data been provided? Is there a large sample size? Does the data support the stated outcomes? Does the evidence presented in the abstract validate the data? Have the outcomes been measured and documented? Have references been cited and used appropriately? (20 points)
- **BONUS POINTS - Completed paper accompanying the presentation:** This is a bonus area and completed papers will be reviewed for acceptance in *Healthcare Transformation* as well as being made available to attendees. (10 points)

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NOTIFICATIONS WILL BE SENT OUT FOR ALL PROPOSALS BY AUGUST 1, 2019.

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PRESENTERS

- **Approved speakers will receive a 50% discount on registration for the Summit. Poster presenters will receive a 20% discount.** Expenses associated with the preparation, submission, and presentation of an abstract are the responsibility of the author/presenter.
- Due to the limited number of speaking slots during the PATH 2019 Conference it is important to understand when a speaker makes a commitment to present, others are unable to do so. Therefore, if a speaker is unable to attend the conference, PATH must be informed immediately. Substitutions must be approved in advance by PATH. No shows or failure to inform PATH in advance will result in speaker disqualification for presentation at future PATH meetings.
- Upon notification, speakers will have 2 weeks to confirm participation at PATH 2019.

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- An abstract may be submitted for only one presentation format. Please do not submit the same abstract for two different presentation formats. PATH reserves the right to change the presentation format post-submission.
- Abstracts must be submitted by **11:59 pm ET on July 15, 2019** using the online submission site.
- Speakers associated with any abstract submission are required to submit a bio and disclosure statement with the submission. Panel and pre-meeting course submissions must include bios and disclosure forms for all speakers and moderator(s) associated with the abstract. The disclosure statement is part of the online submission form and must be filled out for an abstract submission to be complete.
- Accepted speakers will have a specified amount of time to make the presentation on the topic area(s) detailed in the abstract proposal. There is a limit of two selected presentations per speaker/author for inclusion in the entire PATH 2019 program.
- **In an effort to prepare abstracts for publication, PATH reserves the right to edit presentation and/or session titles.**
- PATH reserves the right to record presentations during the PATH 2019 Conference for dissemination and/or sale on any media after the meeting.
- Abstracts and presentations may not be commercial in nature.
- **All accepted abstracts will be published in PATH's official journal, *Healthcare Transformation*, and made available on the PATH website.**

How to Submit a Proposal

Email your presentation proposal to info@pathhealth.com no later than July 1, 2019

Your proposal should include the following 6 items

A. **Presentation title**
B. **Presenter information: name, title, employer and contact information**
C. **Presenter bio (100 words max)**
D. **Topic (from 1-4 as described above)**
E. **Format (A, B or C as described above)**
F. **Narrative (no more than 250 words)**

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