



PENNSYLVANIA COUNCIL OF MEDIATORS  
33<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL CONFERENCE  
May 1 - 2, 2020  
The Hilton Harrisburg

**REQUEST FOR WORKSHOP PROPOSALS**

The Pennsylvania Council of Mediators (PCM) is looking for workshop submissions for its 2020 Annual Conference in Harrisburg. PCM brings together individuals and organizations that share a common interest in mediation as a method of dispute resolution. Our annual conference provides an opportunity for mediators to network with other mediators, learn new skills and enhance their mediation practice. Our audience is a mixture of attorney-mediators, practitioners with training in social work and the behavioral sciences, volunteer community mediators, academic researchers, and others interested in dispute resolution.

Previous conference participants have requested workshops on the following topics, but feel free to submit a proposal on a conflict resolution subject of your choice.

- Resiliency, particularly in family and elder mediations
- Unconscious bias and micro-aggression
- Use of language in mediation
- Elder abuse
- Restorative justice practices - circles, and other and other multi-party processes
- A mock mediation with challenging situations. presenting tough situations
- De-escalation techniques
- When to have a pre-mediation meeting. Effectiveness of different ways of opening mediations When to use caucus.
- How to handle a mandated mediation
- Behavioral psychology of participants
- Special Education mediation
- Employment mediation
- Marketing for the small mediation practice
- Forms of agreement – nuts & bolts; getting good documentation of the settlement

You can find a description of the conference and examples of past workshops at [www.pamediation.org/conferences.html](http://www.pamediation.org/conferences.html).

Workshop sessions are 1.5 hours long and will be held on **Saturday, May 2, 2020**

Please feel free to forward this form to anyone you think might be interested in submitting a proposal.

Presenters receive complimentary conference registration for the conference on May 2<sup>nd</sup>. Note that this does not cover the Pre-conference on May 1<sup>st</sup>, which is a separate fee. Presenters receive CLE/CEUs for their own workshop at no cost; CLE/CEUs for other parts of the conference will be provided at the regular rate.

If your workshop is accepted, we will need your bio, a timed agenda and copies of any handouts to be able to offer CLE and Social Work CEU credits. The presenter does not have to be an attorney/social worker for the workshop to be eligible for CLE/CEU credits.

Please complete the form below to submit your workshop proposal(s). Submissions must be made through this form and emailed, faxed or sent, as indicated on the bottom of the form. We encourage you to submit more than one proposal, in any area relevant to mediation.

