

Transgender Professional Association for Transgender Health Conference

# CONVERGING CRISES

TRANSGENDER HEALTH, RIGHTS  
AND ACTIVISM IN 2021

**JULY 31 - AUGUST 1, 2021**

**Conference Announcement and Call for Abstracts**

Abstract submissions are now open until April 15, 2021: <https://forms.gle/ZBXkWNkdevBbXLEd9>

**REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN**

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We invite you to register for and participate in the inaugural conference of the Transgender Professional Association for Transgender Health, the first international conference created by and for transgender healthcare professionals.

This interdisciplinary conference is organized with the intention of creating opportunities for transgender and non-binary professionals engaged in transgender health, rights, and activism to share their research and work and to network with others. We invite submissions from anyone who identifies as transgender or non-binary, and warmly welcome an audience of all who wish to participate. Presenters and panelists who wish to remain anonymous are equally welcome.

We aim to make participation safe and comfortable for everyone, so please do specify any accommodations you may require, whether related to security, accessibility, or another area. While the main conference language is English, presentations in Spanish and French are welcome, and Spanish and French interpretation will be available for the plenaries and, at a minimum, upon request for individual sessions.

**REGISTRATION \$50**

PLEASE USE THE ABOVE LINK TO REGISTER, REQUEST A SCHOLARSHIP,  
AND/OR CONTRIBUTE TO SCHOLARSHIPS FOR OTHER ATTENDEES

Steering Committee  
[Conference2021@tpathealth.org](mailto:Conference2021@tpathealth.org)

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## OUR THEME

**Our vision** for the first ever TPATH conference is to create a diverse and international platform, connecting transgender and non-binary researchers, professionals, students, and practitioners from across the Global North and South, fostering and encouraging discussion and conversation on the topics of transgender health, rights, and activism. These themes are critically important in the times of COVID-19, unprecedented disinformation, and the ongoing recent crises associated with these new and re-emerging threats.

**Taking stock** of where we are situated in this current moment, and how we have arrived here, is critical. How can we connect experience and theory to practice, and researchers to practitioners, in a new way? And how can we work collectively to implement new practices across diverse societies, economies and cultures? How can we collectively engage in envisioning this work and co-create a shared framework for advancing the health and dignity of transgender and non-binary people?

**Our Conference** is an interdisciplinary gathering intended to create opportunities for members of the transgender and gender diverse community to present papers, panels, posters, and artworks on these and other subjects. This space will help to disseminate existing transgender scholarship, activism, human rights and organizing, and bring forth new possibilities for it.

**We invite submissions** related, but not limited, to the following questions:

- What issues have been exacerbated by COVID-19 as a result of government-mandated lockdowns and other measures taken to protect public health? For instance: How have transgender individuals been impacted by the increased policing of public space, especially in areas where official ID must be shown in order to leave one's home? How have transgender individuals, especially transgender youth, fared in conditions of homelessness or those that confine them to domestic violence and hostile families?
- How have transgender communities across the globe continued to advocate for their rights with respect to both long-held demands (e.g. access to work, health, and education) and in response to new and emerging needs?
- How has the newfound emphasis on virtual communication and digital networks shaped transgender activism, organizing, and healthcare?
- How has the resurgence of scientific and social disinformation affected transgender activism?

## VOLUNTEERING TO HELP

At this time we are asking for volunteers willing to review submissions and/or moderate sessions during the conference. Interested persons should contact [Conference2021@tpathhealth.org](mailto:Conference2021@tpathhealth.org) or express their interest through the conference registration form at:

<https://www.tickettailor.com/events/transgenderprofessionalassociationfortransgenderhealth/476628>.

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# CALL FOR SUBMISSIONS

**We encourage** posters, papers, panels, and artistic submissions from professionals, activists, students, artists, and any and all transgender and non-binary identified individuals engaged in transgender health, rights, and activism. While cisgender individuals are invited to attend the conference, we are not seeking submissions from this group at this time. Submissions will be accepted in English, Spanish, and French with a **deadline of April 15, 2021**. They will undergo anonymous peer-review, with decision emails sent out by June 1, 2021.

*Please submit your submissions via the online form at*  
<https://forms.gle/ZBXkWNkdevBbXLEd9>

## PROPOSAL FORMATS

All submissions must include the following:

- An abstract between 300–350 words
- The title
- Your name and email
- Your biography and that of any co-presenters
- Connection of the presentation to the conference theme
- Any accessibility, privacy, or security needs (e.g. need to be anonymized in the conference schedule, etc.)

### POSTERS

- Posters should be no larger than 48” by 96,” in PDF or Powerpoint format, and will be uploaded online
- A model of the format can be found at [https://youtu.be/fQDL8r3r\\_d4](https://youtu.be/fQDL8r3r_d4)
- Templates can be found at <https://osf.io/csxad/>

### PAPERS AND PANELS

- Papers will be organized into 75 minute panels (60 min + 15 min for Q & A). You are invited to submit an individual paper, or to propose a panel.
- Panel proposals should include 3–4 different presentations on a single theme and allow for a 15 min Q & A.
- All paper and panel proposals must include the following in addition to other requirements:
  - Objective or purpose
  - Methods
  - Data sources, evidence, objects, or materials.
  - Conclusion
  - Significance of the study/work.
  - A clearly identified moderator (if proposing a panel).
- A model of this format can be found at <https://www.wcu.edu/WebFiles/PDFs/WritingConferencesrevision.pdf>

### ARTISTIC PRESENTATIONS

- We invite creative proposals, including spoken word, dance, recital, storytelling, music, theatre, or any alternative form of expression which connects to the conference theme, and can be presented either live on a virtual platform (i.e. Zoom), in a poster format, or via pre-recorded video or audio.
- The proposal for these presentations must include a time estimate (in minutes).