The Utah Public Health Association is announcing the Call for Abstracts for the 2026 Utah Public Health Conference to be held March 24-25, 2026 at the Cultural Celebration Center in West Valley City, Utah. Abstracts for breakout sessions are due **December 5, 2025 by 11:59 PM MDT**. Abstracts for poster submissions are due **January 16, 2026 by 11:59 PM MDT**.

We are seeking innovative proposals that relate to the theme **"*Past, Present, Future: Honoring the past, navigating the present, and designing the future of public health*".** We are offering a number of breakout session tracks, such as:

- Clinical Health
- Community Health
- Community Health Workers
- Environmental Health (One Health)
- Evaluation and Quality Improvement
- Health Data & Epidemiology

- Health Equity
- Health Policy
- Leadership in Public Health
- Mental Health
- Rural Health
- and more

Oral presentations, panel sessions, and lightning round submissions are due **December 5, 2025, 11:59 PM (MDT)**.

	Oral presentation	**Panel session**	**Lightning round**
Length of presentation	30 minutes OR 60 minutes	60 minutes	10 minutes
Number of presenters	1-3 presenters	2-5 panelists and 1 moderator	1 presenter
Description	Presentations should include a synopsis of your work. Multi presenter sessions should include 2-3 presentations around a common theme. All presentations should include time for Q&A.	Sessions should include 2-5 panelists engaged around a common theme or topic. The moderator should come prepared with questions. The panel should include time for Q&A.	The UPHA conference planning committee will group 5 presentations into one 60 minute breakout session.

The following information is required:

- ☐ Contact information (name, email, address, organization, job title, CHES/MCHES #, etc.)
- ☐ Short biographical sketch for all presenters (200 words or less)
- ☐ Professional pictures for all presenters
- ☐ Title of presentation

- [ ] Presentation format preference (oral, panel presentation, lightning round)
- [ ] Abstract (300 words or less)
- [ ] Relevant tracks (e.g., Mental Health, Rural Health, Health Policy, Environmental Health)
- [ ] 3 SMART learning objectives. Learn more about SMART objectives here:
  https://www.cdc.gov/healthyyouth/evaluation/pdf/brief3b.pdf
- [ ] 3 NCHEC Areas of Responsibility sub-competency for each SMART learning objective. Learn more here:
  https://docs.google.com/document/d/1XeqfsVbYoJPT8OegDFqQbuechrZRAvrOhwEXXlM6ilk/edit
- [ ] Dates you are available to present
- [ ] Preferred presentation length (oral presentations only)
- [ ] Any product affiliation and conflict of interest
- [ ] Special AV needs, if any required
- [ ] A statement of accuracy on the information provided in the application

Please note:

- All presenters who will be attending must register and pay for the conference. A reduced presenter registration rate will be available.
- You do not need to be a member of UPHA to present.
- You must submit one application per abstract.
- If you are submitting an abstract for multiple presenters, have one person submit the application and serve as the main point of contact. You will be asked to include the names and contact information for all presenters.
- Updated conference information will be available at upha.org.
- Reach out to Sarah Hodson (sarah@upha.org) with any questions.
- Watch for a "Submitting an Abstract 101" webinar coming soon.

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Poster Session Submissions

Poster sessions are intended to provide a visual presentation of program or research findings by displaying graphs, photos, diagrams, and descriptive text. The presenter(s) must be available to answer questions during the designated poster sessions. Poster presentation submissions are due **January 16, 2026, 11:59pm (MDT).**

The following information is required:

- ☐ Contact information (name, email, address, organization, job title, CHES/MCHES #, etc.)
- ☐ Short biographical sketch (200 words or less)
- ☐ Title of poster
- ☐ Abstract (300 words or less)
- ☐ Dates you are available to present (you will only present your poster on one day)
- ☐ Any product affiliation and conflict of interest
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