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## **CALL FOR PRESENTATIONS**

**ASAP 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Veterans Summit**  
**"Repaying a Debt" Honoring Veterans for Their Service**  
**May 13, 2020**  
**Doubletree Hilton - Tarrytown, New York**

**CONFERENCE PARTICIPANTS:** Addiction and Mental Health Service Providers, Private Mental Health/Service Practitioners, Public Health Providers, Addiction Evaluators/Researchers, State and Local Policy Makers, Veterans Care System Administrators. Private/Public for-profit and not-for-profit organizations that offer Veteran discounts, Veteran-specific benefits, Veteran-related "perks" as a way to honor those who have served and their families.

**PRESENTATION FORMAT:** The presentation format is flexible. Presentations will be 60 minutes in length. We welcome presentations that are targeted for the beginning, intermediate and advanced prevention, treatment and recovery services professionals, innovative approaches, grounded in research, are strongly encouraged to enhance educational effectiveness.

**AREAS OF FOCUS:** This Summit will focus on the provisions of services as it relates to Veterans in the following areas (prevention, treatment and recovery):

- **Informal Veteran Benefits/Services:** Individuals and/or organizations that engage in providing unique benefits, discounts, services or relationships with Veterans and/or their families. This can be formal (i.e. Veteran-specific entity) or informal (i.e. anyone passionate about helping/serving Veterans) and focused on a wide array of benefits (i.e. resale discounts, free services, unique vocation opportunities, re-entry experiences, family discounts, etc.)
- **Emerging Theory and Science:** Participants will receive training and information on behavioral science, human development and psychosocial theory related to substance abuse among veterans, risk-taking and related behaviors for this population, as well as mental health impact.
- **Practical Theory Application:** Emphasis is placed on prevention applications grounded in sound research and/or those that have been rigorously evaluated.
- **Treatment Innovations:** New methodologies and technologies for the field will be highlighted, including services and programs for the veterans population, models of integrated treatment service delivery systems and future oriented intervention.
- **Policy and Advocacy Issues:** Alcohol and other drug use issues as well as issues pertaining to the veterans population can be positively effected by public policy and advocacy efforts. Public policy initiatives related to this population that have been proven beneficial/effective will be highlighted.

**REVIEW CRITERIA:** The Program Committee will review and evaluate proposals submitted based on the following criteria:

- Relevance to the conference theme and Areas of Focus.
- Well-defined syllabus and learning objectives.
- Originality of presentation style and opportunity for participant involvement.

**SUBMISSION PROCESS: By March 1, 2020**, complete and return this form and supplemental information to: Sherry LaFountain, Director of Events Management, Marketing & Development, 11 N Pearl St #801, Albany, NY 12207. Ph: (518) 426-3122 x103 E-mail: slafountain@asapnys.org. Thank you. **Selections will be made no later than March 31, 2020.**

