

### 2026 Annual Leadership and Clinical Conference

# "Honoring Our Foundation, Shaping the Future"

### Request for Presentation Proposals Conference dates:

February 18 - 20, 2026

University of Georgia Center for Continuing Education Conference Center and Hotel 1197 S. Lumpkin St, Athens, GA 30602 Deadline for submission is:

August 8, 2025 deadline!

Proposals may be submitted:
Via email to admin@ghpco.org or via fax to 678-623-0175

Via mail to: GHPCO 950 Eagle's Landing Parkway, Suite 622 Stockbridge, GA 30281



# The Georgia Hospice and Palliative Care Organization

#### **Proudly Presents**

The 2026 Annual Leadership and Clinical Conference

## "Honoring Our Foundation, Shaping the Future"

In 2026, we gather in Athens to celebrate the deep roots of hospice and palliative care in Georgia—roots grounded in compassion, connection, and community. As we face new challenges and embrace new opportunities, this year's conference invites us to grow with a purpose: to innovate thoughtfully, collaborate boldly, and continue shaping a future where every person receives the care they deserve. Together, we'll explore how our shared values can guide us forward—stronger, more connected, and more committed than ever.

#### Suggested topics may include any of the following – we welcome your own as well!

- Advance Care Planning
- Advocacy and Public Policy
- Bereavement and Grief
- Care for the Caregiver (including Professionals!)
- Diversity and Inclusion
- Disease-specific issues
- Ethical Issues and Dilemmas
- Employee/Human Resource
- Management/Retention
- Marketing/ Market Trends
- Pain Management (Assessment, Treatment, Medication Updates, etc)

- Palliative Care
- Pediatric Palliative Care and Hospice
- Quality Management/ QAPI
- Regulatory/Compliance Updates
- Reimbursement/ Financial Issues
- Risk Management
- Social Aspects of Care
- Social Media
- Spiritual Care
- Strategic Planning
- Veterans (care needs, outreach, etc)
- Volunteer Management/Recruitment/Retention



### CALL FOR PRESENTATION PROPOSALS

#### **Expression of Interest Form**

**Directions:** Please fill out form completely. DO NOT ATTACH CURRICULUM VITAE or RESUME – if submitted this way, form will not be accepted. **If submitting more than one presentation for consideration, please complete a SEPARATE form detailing each presentation's title, learning objectives and abstract of content as indicated.** 

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- 1. Completed 'Expression of Interest' Form
- 2. Completed Educational Activity Form this is required for processing CE's
- 3. Completed Biographical Data Form for EACH presenter (copy form if needed!)

Please remember to complete the **educational activity form** and the **biographical data form(s)** as requested! **ALL completed presentation materials will be required to be submitted no later than January 31, 2026** 

Return all completed forms to:

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Fax: 678-623-0175

All submissions will be reviewed by GHPCO's Education Committee. If selected, the identified faculty member(s) agrees to submit additional information as required by GHPCO for continuing education purposes, including a signed Conflict of Interest Statement (will be provided). GHPCO reserves the right to combine topics and recruit additional presenters to ensure well-rounded programs are provided. Acceptance of any submission does not imply a guarantee that any presenter or presentation will be utilized.

Submit all requested items by the deadline of August 8, 2026 as instructed on the application form.

#### The Evaluation Process:

All completed application packets will be considered using the following criteria:

Is the concurrent session or workshop presentation topic relevant to the conference theme?

Is the time well allocated and organized to provide opportunities for feedback and interaction?

Does the presenter have appropriate experience and/or knowledge of the presentation topic?

Are the learning objectives measurable and achievable?

Will there be significant interest in the presentation topic?

Once reviewed and evaluated, proposals that receive the highest rankings are incorporated into a draft program. This draft is then reviewed and modified to meet program design requirements and assessed needs of the participants. The finalization process is stringent and time-consuming; therefore, GHPCO appreciates your patience during this process.

#### Specifics:

All presentations should be 1 hour (60 minutes) in length, *please allow time in your presentation for questions* and answers.

Each breakout room is equipped with all A/V needs – please bring your presentation on a thumb drive. If you use a MAC computer, please convert to appropriate format OR plan to bring your own laptop with conversion cables.

Notifications will be sent to the **<u>primary presenter ONLY</u>**. It is the responsibility of the primary presenter to alert any co-presenters of the status of their presentation proposal when notified.

Presenters will receive complimentary conference registration for the **DAY OF PRESENTATION ONLY** – if presenters wish to attend the full conference, please register at the single day rate for the date you are NOT presenting. No other expenses will be provided.

Each year, we receive many good proposals – we can't wait to hear from YOU! We know there are many subject matter or content area experts out there, so don't be shy!

#### **Biographical Data Form for Faculty/Presenters/Authors**

Name, Degrees & Cred If RN, nursing degree(s)		ers []PhD
Home Address OR Bus (Number & Street, City,		
Day Telephone:	Email Address:	
Present Position (Title)	) & Employer:	
Faculty/Presenters/Au	thors: Describe your expertise in this topic (will also be	e your introduction):
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<sup>1</sup>An accredited/approved CNE provider is NOT an agent for a manufacturer, whereas a company acting for a manufacturer in a promotional activity IS an agent.

<sup>2</sup>Only include research funds received directly from industry, grants to your institution are NOT reportable



#### **EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITY PLANNING FORM—5 COLUMN**

Use this form to provide information for proposed education session. Copy if additional pages needed THE INFORMATION LISTED MUST INCLUDE ALL TOPICS BEING PRESENTED

### **GHPCO 2026 Annual Conference:**

#### Title of Individual Session:

OBJECTIVES	CONTENT (Topics)	TIME FRAME	PRESENTER	TEACHING METHODS
List learner's objectives in behavioral terms (See Appendix A, "Criteria for Educational Activities" for information)	Provide an outline of the content for each objective. It must be more than a restatement of the objective.	State the time frame for each objective (e.g. 8:00-8:30am, 30 minutes)	List the Presenter/Faculty for each objective.	Describe the teaching methods, strategies, materials & resources for each objective/ Also describe the category of evaluation: a: Learner satisfaction; b: Knowledge enhancement; c: Skill and attitude change teaching method/strategy, materials, resources used for each objective
SAMPLE: Discuss process for teaching adults how to complete required forms	SAMPLE: Review adult learning methods Learn methods for reaching adult learners Demonstrate differences in audio, visual and kinetic learning styles	SAMPLE: 9:00 – 9:20am (20 min)	SAMPLE: Nancy Nurse, RN	SAMPLE: Teaching method: Didactic lecture, powerpoint presentation, group activity  Evaluation Category: A, B

- **Objectives:** Indicate what the learner will be able to do at the conclusion of the activity. An average of 1-2 objectives per hour is realistic. It is also recommended that objectives be numbered sequentially. Objectives listed on the evaluation form should be EXACTLY the same as the ones on the Educational Activity Content Form.
- **Content:** Itemize key points that will be addressed with each objective. Content must be more than a restatement of the objective and must be related to the objective.
- Time Frame: List the number of minutes for each objective.
- Presenter: List the presenter who will be addressing each objective.
- Teaching learning strategies, materials and resources: List the methods, strategies, materials and resources to be used.
- An example of a clear and measurable learning objective: At the end of this activity, the learner will be able to: "List two nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory agents used in the treatment of rheumatoid arthritis". A learning objective is measurable when the learner can perform a task (list) identified in the learning objective. Include only one measurable/action verb per objective.
- An example of an unmeasurable objective: At the end of this activity, the learner will be able to: "Increase his/her knowledge of anti-inflammatory agents used in the treatment of arthritis." "Increase knowledge" cannot be directly demonstrated, therefore is not a measurable objective. Likewise "understand" is not a measurable verb do not use this verb!!!

• **Use an action verb.** The verb should correspond with what opportunities are given for the learners to demonstrate the newly learned information. For example, if your objective contains the verb discuss, then there must be opportunities for the learner to discuss (one of your teaching methods must include "discussion"). Specific verbs correspond with the six levels of learning identified by Bloom. The table below contains a list of the six levels of learning with some of their accompanying verbs—used when writing learning objectives. We hope this list is helpful to you.

Knowledge (to recall facts)	Comprehension (to understand)	Application (to apply concepts/ demo skills)	Analysis (use info/make connections)	Synthesis (formulation)	Evaluation (judgment)
Cite Count Define Identify Label	Associate Classify Contrast Describe Discuss	Apply Complete Demonstrate Illustrate Manipulate	Analyze Appraise Compare Contrast Criticize Debate	Arrange Collect Compose Construct Create	Appraise Assess Choose Critique Determine
List Name Outline Read Recall	Distinguish Explain Give examples Interpret Locate	Operate Perform Practice Predict Relate	Detect Diagram Differentiate Distinguish Examine	Design Detect Formulate Generalize Integrate	Differentiate Estimate Evaluate Judge Measure Rate
Recite Recognize Relate Repeat Select State Tell Write	Predict Report Restate Review	Report Restate Review Translate Use Utilize	Infer Inspect Question Separate Summarize	Manage Organize Plan Prepare Propose Provide	Recommend Revise Select