Great News!

The Street Medicine Institute is excited to announce the 14th annual International Street Medicine Symposium, to be held October 4-6, 2018 in Rotterdam, the Netherlands. A special pre-symposium *Street Medicine 101* workshop will also be offered on October 3, 2018 for interested participants. The Netherlands Street Medicine Group has generously agreed to serve as the local sponsoring organization, highlighting the success of Rotterdam in nearly eliminating rough sleeping.

Information about registration, venue, and lodging, and the preliminary program schedule will be posted at www.streetmedicine.org by June 2018.

Call for Presenters

The organizing committee of the International Street Medicine Symposium (ISMS) is pleased to extend an open invitation for presentation proposal submissions. While we are particularly interested in exploring themes related to clinical topics in Street Medicine, coordination of care across the spectrum of homelessness, streets-to-housing initiatives, integration of Street Medicine programming into local hospitals and academic institutions, and Street Medicine-specific data collection and research, submissions in any topic area related to the health care of <u>unsheltered or rough-sleeper</u> homeless populations are welcome. Street Medicine providers and related organizations are encouraged to submit proposals for one of the following three presentation format categories:

A. Lecture (35 minutes large-group presentation + 10 minutes discussion)

This format is well-suited for the dissemination of new/updated information relating to the field of Street Medicine, review of clinically-pertinent innovations and best practices, and reporting of outcomes data from field research or interventions. Research-oriented submissions may be work-in-progress. **Encouraged topic areas include, but are not limited to:**

- Socio-environmental determinants of health (environmental threats, health care access, housing access, community building, advocacy)
- Morbidity, mortality, and vulnerability assessment
- Integrated management of common complicating co-morbidities (mental illness, substance abuse/addiction, and traumatic brain injury)

- Comprehensive primary care and outreach models that foster continuity and coordination of care across the spectrum of homelessness (streets, shelter, hospital, respite, housing)
- Research and/or cost-analysis specific to the provision of Street Medicine services

B. Workshop (50 min. interactive, small-group presentation)

This format is well-suited for highly interactive sharing of practical knowledge, skills, and personal/professional/organizational enrichment strategies by presenters with particular expertise in any of the following topics or other relevant topic areas. Methods for creating an interactive learning environment must be addressed in the proposal.

- Acute disease diagnosis and management
- Chronic disease management and quality of care measures
- Creative patient engagement and motivational strategies designed to reduce barriers and enhance care access for the most marginalized individuals
- Medical education and training approaches related to homelessness, including curriculum development and implementation, educational resource networking, and faculty mentoring of student-led organizations
- Initiating and nurturing relationships between service organizations and local hospitals, academic medical centers, and educational institutions
- Creating effective inter-agency and inter-disciplinary collaboration with respect to service, advocacy, and consumer involvement
- Fundraising approaches, skills, and resources relevant to Street Medicine practices
- Maintaining care access and quality during times of financial and/or political constraint
- Ethical challenges commonly encountered in providing care to unsheltered or rough-sleeper homeless populations
- Prevention of burn out among clinicians and service agency staff

C. Poster (scientific poster format with dedicated viewing time)

This format is well-suited to clinical vignettes, highlighting program development/updates, description of service models, or exhibition of medical education approaches to service learning and outreach. Students and student organizations are particularly encouraged to submit in this format category, though non-students are also welcome to submit poster presentation proposals. (Students are not limited to this format category and may submit in a different category if more appropriate. "Students" includes undergraduate students, graduate/professional students, and medical residents in training).

Approval Process:

All proposals submitted will be reviewed and judged by a panel that includes members of the ISMS organizing committee and other invited experts. **Strict adherence to the criteria below is required in order for the organizing committee to review your proposal**. Reviewers will evaluate proposals for presentation based upon the following three criteria:

1. Specific written learning objectives (active voice preferred)

2. An abstract describing the presentation content, approach, and intended format (lecture, workshop, or poster). Abstracts will be judged relative to achievement of the following goals:
    A. *Target Audience* – How appropriate is the topic for an audience of clinicians, outreach workers, service agency representatives, and community stakeholders dedicated to improving the health and well-being of <u>unsheltered or rough-sleeper</u> homeless populations?
    B. *Innovation* – How novel is the information or approach in addressing a problem related to the health care of rough-sleeper populations?
    C. *Impact* – How potentially beneficial are the findings, interventions, or programs to the care of patients/clients, development of services, training of providers, or sustainability of programs?
    D. *Applicability* – How accessible and generalizable are the findings, interventions, or programs to other practice sites around the world?
    E. *Knowledge Advancement* – How valuable is the information or approach to the growing body of Street Medicine knowledge and clinical expertise? Have data/findings been collected, analyzed, and presented in a rigorous and scholarly way?
    F. *Mission Advancement* – How substantially does the information or approach promote/advance the values and vision of the Street Medicine Institute and International Street Medicine Symposium?

3. Adherence to submission guidelines:
    A. Presenters must use the proposal template given below.
    B. Submissions must be in Word/PDF document format. Please title your document with the following format: type of presentation, last name, first name of the primary presenter (example: Workshop_Frye_Liz)
    C. Submissions must be e-mailed as attachments to <u>lfrye@streetmedicine.org</u> with the email title "ISMS 14 Speaker Proposal."

Submissions must be received by midnight (EST) on Sunday, April 1, 2018.

For each *lecture* or *workshop* proposal selected for presentation, the <u>primary presenter only</u> will be eligible to receive a stipend of *up to* $750.00 (US) to help defray <u>travel and lodging expenses personally incurred and paid for by that presenter only</u>. (Stipends are paid as reimbursement following the event only after all appropriate documentation of travel expenses have been submitted and approved). For top-scoring *student* poster proposals selected for presentation, the primary student presenter will be eligible for a travel/lodging stipend of up to $600.00 (US). In addition, for each proposal accepted for presentation regardless of format category, <u>the primary presenter and *one* co-presenter (if applicable) will be exempted from any symposium registration fees</u>. Submitters will be notified of the review committee's decision by June 1, 2018.

Questions about the ISMS or presentation proposal submission process can be addressed to the organizing committee at <u>lfrye@streetmedicine.org</u>

Please see the proposal template below.

Proposal Template - Strict adherence to this template and its criteria is required for review of your proposal.

Presentation Title (one line maximum in Garamond 11 point font):

Primary Presenter (eligible for travel stipend)

Name/degree(s)/title/institution or organizational affiliation:		
Email address:	Phone number:	Mailing address:
Is the primary presenter a student?		

Secondary Presenter (eligible for waived registration fee)

Name/degree(s)/title/institution or organizational affiliation:		
Email address:	Phone number:	Mailing address:

Other Presenters (please list name, degree, title, and institutional/organizational affiliation)

Intended Format (lecture, workshop, poster):

Description of Presentation (maximum 200 words):

Target Audience – How appropriate is the topic for an audience of clinicians, outreach workers, service agency representatives, and community stakeholders dedicated to improving the health and well-being of unsheltered or rough-sleeper homeless populations? (maximum 50 words)

Innovation – How novel is the information or approach in addressing a problem related to the health care of rough-sleeper populations? (maximum 50 words)

Impact – How potentially beneficial are the findings, interventions, or programs to the care of patients/clients, development of services, training of providers, or sustainability of programs? (maximum 50 words)

Applicability – How accessible and generalizable are the findings, interventions, or programs to other practice sites around the world?

Knowledge Advancement – How valuable is the information or approach to the growing body of Street Medicine knowledge and clinical expertise? Have data/findings been collected, analyzed, and presented in a rigorous and scholarly way?

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Learning Objectives:

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