

## **CGPA 2014 CALL FOR PRESENTATIONS**

### **“Resilience: Bouncing Back in Groups”**

**May 7-10, 2014**

**89 Chestnut Conference Centre**

**Toronto, Ontario**

**Deadline for Submissions: December 15th, 2013**

## **CGPA ANNUAL CONFERENCE OBJECTIVES**

Our primary objective for the annual CGPA conference is to provide the space and the opportunity for many lively and constructive conversations about group to take place.

CGPA prides itself on its diverse, multidisciplinary membership, recognizing the unique and valuable contributions of different professional groups and therapeutic modalities and the importance of including individuals at every stage in the learning process.

We recognize the importance and relevance of understanding group dynamics and process.

We seek to share this knowledge and encourage the use of skillful group approaches in many diverse locations including health care, education and community settings.

We see the conference as a rich opportunity for professional and personal growth and aim to provide a wide variety of learning opportunities to a diverse community of lifelong learners.

We envision the conference as a group experience that allows those in attendance to contribute their unique perspectives as well as providing a rich opportunity to learn from others. We see and encourage opportunities for networking and professional collaboration.

We aim to keep the conference accessible and require that all in attendance, including workshop presenters, pay the conference registration fee. This allows us to keep the conference costs as affordable as possible. Any monetary profit gained from the conference or any other

**CGPA: Group Therapy, Group Training, Group Facilitation (CGPA)** is a vibrant multidisciplinary association of group psychotherapists who work together to foster and provide education and training for mental health professionals in group therapy across Canada. Furthermore, CGPA aims to encourage research in group therapy; to set national standards for quality in training, practice and research; and to gather together Canadian group therapists from various disciplines in a spirit of professional development and mutual learning.

## **2014 Conference in Toronto**

We are hoping that our theme “Resilience: Groups Bouncing Back” will resonate across Canada. CGPA is focused on building a strong and sustainable community of Canadian group therapists committed to sharing our passion, knowledge and experience in groupwork with each other and with our respective communities.

Toronto is the site of this years conference and we are beyond excited to be gathering here.

Toronto is a diverse and exciting international city with something for everyone. Stay tuned in the months to come for conference updates about planned social events and Toronto happenings!

## **“Resilience: Bouncing Back in Groups” – our conference theme for 2014**

We will be evaluating proposals that adhere, in some form, to the theme above. We hope you will create forums for lively discussion, sharing of your expertise, and avenues for meaningful experiences. It’s a good idea to include some didactic elements in an experiential workshop so that the experience may be put in context. We have noted from past participant evaluations that a mix of theory and experiential learning opportunities are particularly valued. If your presentation is predominantly didactic in content, please allow sufficient time for audience participation, questions and comments.

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“Resilience: Bouncing Back in Groups”

## SUBMISSION FORM

**Deadline for submission: December 15th, 2013**

Address of Main Conference Presenter:

LAST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ FIRST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

TITLE (circle): Ms. Mr. Dr. Other: \_\_\_\_\_

PROFESSIONAL DESIGNATION: (circle) R.N. M.N. M.A. M.S.W. O.T. Ph.D. M.D.

Other: \_\_\_\_\_

ORGANIZATION: \_\_\_\_\_

MAILING ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ PROVINCE: \_\_\_\_\_ POSTAL CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone HOME: \_\_\_\_\_ WORK: \_\_\_\_\_ FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

Names and Email Addresses for all other Presenters:

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Have you presented your work at CGPA before? \_\_\_\_\_ Year? \_\_\_\_\_ Topic? \_\_\_\_\_

Please submit the following information by email in Word or RTF format.

Abstracts and presenter bios will be posted on the website and in the Conference Brochure.

It is requested that you adhere to the guidelines below. This allows for a clearer understanding of your presentation and facilitates more efficient evaluation of the all the presentations.

- Title of presentation (maximum 50 characters)
- 3- 5 clearly stated learning goals
- Abstract clearly outlining your presentation (limit 100 words)
- Brief bio of presenter(s) (limit 25 words per presenter)
- Curriculum vitae for all presenters
- Brief description of how your submission contributes to the conference theme (see notes on cover page)

**Please check off the topic that best matches your presentation:**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Group Process                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Social issues                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Creative applications of Group Knowledge | <input type="checkbox"/> Inter-professional Education  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Team Building                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Cultural and Political issues |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Theoretical Models                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Gender Issues                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Groups for Specific Populations          | <input type="checkbox"/> Therapist Ethics              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Creativity in Group Therapy              | <input type="checkbox"/> Psychopharmacology and Group  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Community Capacity Building              | <input type="checkbox"/> Research Focus                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Leadership Issues                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Group Education and Training  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Co-therapy                               | <input type="checkbox"/> Organizational Development    |
- Other – Please outline: \_\_\_\_\_

**Type of Presentation:** Please complete the following:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Half Day Workshop (2.5 to 3 hrs) | <input type="checkbox"/> Full Day Workshop (4 to 5 hrs) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Paper                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Poster                         |

**Presentation Approach:**

<input type="checkbox"/> Didactic	<input type="checkbox"/> Sharing of work experience
<input type="checkbox"/> Demonstration	<input type="checkbox"/> Experiential

**Please note: *Paper presentations*** are usually scheduled for 30-45 minutes. This allotment generally comprises a 20 minute presentation, a 5-10 minute discussion by an assigned colleague, and a 5-15 minute question and answer period. Authors of accepted papers may be asked to send a copy to the paper forum chair at least four weeks prior to the conference.

**Target audience:** Identify, as clearly as possible, your target audience ie; those working in health care, education, administration, community services, or organizational development.

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Specify if your presentation is designed for practitioners at a particular level of experience - ie: novice, intermediate, advanced or no limitations. \_\_\_\_\_

Is there any limitation on number of participants? \_\_\_\_\_

**Audiovisual Requirements:**

*Audiovisual equipment rental represents a major conference expense. We respectfully ask that all presenters limit their request to only the necessary equipment. When possible, it is also much appreciated if presenters are able to bring their own equipment.(laptops, projectors etc)*

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| <input type="checkbox"/> LCD projector for Power Point | <input type="checkbox"/> Overhead projector |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Flip chart                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Whiteboard         |

Other \_\_\_\_\_

Will you bring your own laptop?  Yes  No

**Room Set-up:** Please outline any specific room setup requirements.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Chairs in circle                             | <input type="checkbox"/> Lecture style (chairs in rows) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Classroom style (chairs in rows with tables) | <input type="checkbox"/> Round tables                   |

Other \_\_\_\_\_

## Notification Information

1. Submissions will be reviewed by the Academic Program Committee and presenters will be notified via email of their acceptance status by January 2014.
  2. Date and time of your presentation will be confirmed by February 15, 2014.
  3. Confirmation of all further requests, e.g. audio-visual, room set-up, etc., will be e-mailed to you by April 15, 2014.
  4. **ALL presenters are required to register for the conference and pay the conference registration fee.**
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**Please send** completed submission, abstract, presenter's description, and a copy of your CV to: Jessica Kerr

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With questions about the academic program or the submission process feel free to contact Maureen Coleman at [macoleman@shaw.ca](mailto:macoleman@shaw.ca)

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**Deadline for all Submissions : December 15th , 2013**