

Accepted Poster Submission Sample

Presentation Type: Poster

Section 1: Author & Co-Presenter Information

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Section 2: Presentation Modality

1. What type of presentation are you submitting?

Poster

2. If accepted for a workshop or poster session, are all of your speakers able to attend the conference in Baltimore, MD?

Yes

3. If accepted for a workshop session, do you agree to participate in a planning meeting to review best practices, learning objectives, and logistics for your session. All speakers are required to participate. (Y/N/N/A – Submitting a poster presentation)

N/A

Section 3: Overview

1. Have you presented at previous Summits on this topic or another?:

Yes

2. Have you presented the proposed presentation at another conference in the field?:

No

3. Is your organization submitting multiple proposals to the 2026 conference?

No

Section 4: Session Topic

1. Select the conference domain that best describes your presentations (select one):

Advocacy & Policy

2. (If applicable) select a secondary conference domain that may also describe your presentation

Systems

3. Select the Summit's areas of focus that your session/poster applies to (please choose one):

Elevating parent and community choice to drive policy and practice change

Section 5: Session Details

1. Submission Title (please limit title to 10-words or less):

Transformational Policy and Systems Recommendations from Caregivers and Home Visitors

2. Does your presentation include parent and/or provider voice or representation?

Yes

Please choose the extent to which parent/caregiver and/or provider voice or representation will be included in your presentation:

Parent/caregiver or provider voice will be referenced in the presentation

3. Session Abstract: Provide an overview of the key elements you plan to address in your presentation. (300-character limit – approximately 50 words)

Start Early's Illinois Home Visiting Caregiver and Provider Feedback Project elevates family and staff voices to uncover why families disengage and what's needed for a stronger system. This poster highlights key findings, including experiences of dual-language families and workforce needs, and offers actionable recommendations for more equitable, responsive home visiting.

4. **Ideal Audience:** Provide a short description of the ideal audience for your workshop/poster. The ideal audience description will be used to promote your session. Example: This session is ideal for home visiting advocates and/or program administrators interested in innovative ways of communicating the impact of their home visiting program to advance policy change. (1000-character limit).

This poster session is ideal for advocates, models, federal and state agencies, and programs seeking strategies at the federal, national model, state, and programmatic levels to strengthen how families and providers are supported. Recommendations were informed by surveys, focus groups, and interviews with caregivers and home visiting providers in Illinois. This session carries implications for advocacy, policy, and program design to improve recruitment and retention of participants and the workforce.

5. **Session Description:** Summarize your topic; state the importance, relevance, and impact for attendees. (1,500-character limit – 1 to 3 paragraphs) Please note: This description will be used to promote your session/poster on the conference website.:

Families and home visiting staff know the system can be powerful but they also see where it can do better. Many families stop participating before getting the full benefit, and programs continue to struggle with hiring and keeping qualified staff.

Start Early's Illinois Home Visiting Caregiver and Provider Feedback Project set out to listen directly to families and providers across the state. Through surveys, interviews, and focus groups, the project explored what helps families stay engaged, what leads them to leave services, and how programs can better support both families and staff.

This poster shares stories and insights from families, including dual-language families and male caregivers, and highlights what staff say they need to keep

doing their work well. It also shares clear, practical recommendations for improving home visiting national policy to local program changes.

These findings give leaders, program staff, and policymakers concrete ideas to strengthen family engagement, support the workforce, and create a system that feels more welcoming, fair, and effective for everyone involved.

6. Describe the facilitation strategies/engagement approaches you will use to engage the audience (e.g., attendee discussions, Q&A sessions, and visual aids). For workshop presentations, also state the approximate amount of time spent using each engagement strategy. Meeting rooms holding workshop sessions will be theatre style seating. (3000-character limit)

We will offer QR codes for links to community collaboration projects that show strong parent leadership examples. We will engage poster session attendees in small group conversations about the research content.

7. Identify 2-4 learning objectives for your proposal. Learning objectives should be measurable and indicate what the learner will gain in knowledge or practice. (3000-character limit)
 - *Conference participants will be able to identify for examples of what home visitors and supervisors say they need to feel valued, supported, and prepared in their work, and how these insights can guide improvements in professional development and supervision.*
 - *Conference participants will review concrete recommendations from the Illinois Home Visiting Caregiver and Provider Feedback Project and will leave the session with at least one action item around how these recommendations can inform changes at the program, state, or national level.*
8. Pending the number of submissions on similar topics, we may consider asking workshop proposal submitters to partner with another team to build a collaborative session. If relevant, is this something your team would be interested in? (Y/N/Unsure/N/A - Submitting a poster presentation)

N/A

9. There may be an opportunity for workshop presenters to host their session twice (i.e., present on Day 1 of the conference and again on Day 2). If relevant, is this something your team would be interested in? (Y/N/Unsure/ N/A - Submitting a poster presentation)

N/A

10. I agree to follow conference best practices to prepare visually and auditory accessible presentations (PowerPoint) and materials. Please see the conference website for related materials and support.

I agree