



OJJDP's 2011 National Conference for Children's Justice & Safety

Unite, Build, Lead

Gaylord National Hotel & Convention Center
October 12–14, 2011

Poster Session Overview

Conference Theme

The action-oriented theme of OJJDP's 2011 National Conference is "Children's Justice & Safety: Unite, Build, Lead." The conference will offer exciting learning and networking opportunities geared toward the unique needs of juvenile justice, delinquency prevention, and victimization professionals. The conference will serve as a vital and central venue to examine strategies, share ideas, and plan actions to address a range of issues in the juvenile justice and child protection fields.

Poster Session

The poster session will feature visual presentations of recent program initiatives, research findings, and other information of interest and importance to the juvenile justice, delinquency prevention, and victimization communities. These presentations will be combined with informal discussions between the poster presenters and the conference attendees who circulate among the displays. Poster boards will display graphs, photographs, diagrams, and limited text that will illustrate information and findings. Posters must describe an innovative program/strategy, an analysis of a problem and your solution, or a report of new research relating to positive reform within the juvenile justice, delinquency prevention, and victimization systems. Research projects should inform policy and suggest ways to enhance practice.

Application Guidelines

The deadline for submission is 11:59 p.m., EDT, ~~Friday, August 5, 2011~~. Deadline extended to Monday, August 22, 2011.

All proposals must follow the application format. OJJDP may not accept applications that are incomplete.

Topical areas addressed in poster presentations may include, but are not limited to:

Drug Courts	Gender-Specific Programming
Substance Abuse	Disproportionate Minority Contact
Bullying	Truancy
Sexting	Parental and Family Engagement
Systems Improvement	Special Issues for Tribal Youth
Youth in Custody	Missing and Exploited Children
Diversion	Mentoring
Foster Youth	Underage Drinking

All applications must include:

- Title of organized poster session.
- Principal author (name, institution or affiliation, e-mail address).
- Co-authors (names, institutions or affiliations, e-mail addresses).
- Presenters (names, institutions or affiliations, e-mail addresses).
- **A poster abstract of 500 words or less.** The abstract is a concise description of the specific purpose, content, methodology, results, and importance of the proposed presentation. You must submit either a program/strategy or research abstract.
- An electronic version of the poster (.pdf, .doc, or .ppt) for archival purposes.

Program/Strategy Abstract Criteria

- Background/purpose of the service delivery program/strategy.
- Goals, objectives, aims or hypothesis, and outcomes.
- Interest to the juvenile justice, delinquency prevention, and victimization communities.

Research Abstract Criteria

- Purpose of research is clearly defined.
- Research design is clearly described.
- Innovative research identifies a gap or need in the juvenile justice, delinquency prevention, and/or victimization systems.
- Nature and scope of the problem are described.
- Data show that the problem exists.

Application Selection Criteria

OJJDP will use the following criteria when selecting poster session proposals:

- The application is complete.
- The topic, problem, or research is at the forefront of current practices.
- Performance measures/outcomes are included.
- The program design is clearly described.
- Examples of successes and challenges are provided.

Poster Guidelines

- The poster title should match the abstract title.
- Include an introduction, objectives, methods, results, and conclusions.
- The poster must follow the format, as provided. Free PowerPoint templates are available online at:
 - http://www.posterpresentations.com/html/free_poster_templates.html
 - <http://www.postersession.com/templates.php>
 - <http://www.genigraphics.com/templates/default.asp>
- Other templates may be available on the Internet, but you must not exceed the 48" × 48" poster format. The poster may be any color.
- The display area will be a free-standing bulletin board. Two presenters will share each side of the bulletin board.
- The poster font should be large enough to be read from 2 to 3 feet away (>16 point).
- All illustrations (graphs, pictures, figures, tables) should be large enough to be easily understood, and captions should be brief.
- No audiovisual equipment (e.g., laptop, DVD player) is permitted in poster presentations.

General Information

Following the acceptance of your poster proposal, OJJDP will provide more detailed logistics, including times for setting up and taking down poster displays.

You and/or your organization will be responsible for:

- Any associated travel and hotel expenses.
- All materials to display your poster (e.g., push pins).
- Shipping and/or printing costs.

The poster sessions will be scheduled for the afternoons of Wednesday, October 12, and Thursday, October 13. If your poster is selected, OJJDP will assign the day and time of your presentation. Presenter(s) must be at the poster to interact with attendees.

OJJDP will make all final decisions regarding acceptance of poster session materials.

Access the application at <http://www.ojjdp.gov/2011conference/PosterApp.pdf>.

Submit completed applications online (including the abstract and the electronic version of the poster) to: OJJDPPosterApplications@usdoj.gov

Submit questions regarding the poster session to: tina.borner@usdoj.gov or gwendolyn.williams@usdoj.gov

No phone calls will be accepted.