

2026 NI DPG Virtual Symposium

Evidence, Insight, Action: Innovating Nutrition Practice

Request for Speaker Proposals

The 2026 Nutrition Informatics DPG Virtual Symposium Planning Team is accepting speaker proposals for the 2-day virtual conference scheduled for Tuesday, April 21 and Tuesday, April 28.

General Guidelines:

- All proposals are due on or before September 26, 2025, at 4:00pm ET by electronic submission using [this link](#). CV and professional headshot should be emailed to evanchakse@upmc.edu.
- Advanced sessions (Level II or III) are preferred.
 - Category II: Assumes that the participant has general knowledge of the literature and professional practice within the area(s) covered. The focus of the activity is to enhance knowledge and application by the participant.
 - Category III: Assumes that the participant has a thorough knowledge of the literature and professional practice within the area(s) covered. The focus of the activity is the synthesis of recent advances and future directions.
- Proposed speakers should be seasoned professionals with experience in presenting the topic to professional groups.
- Up to two (2) submissions per individual may be submitted.
- Incomplete proposals will not be reviewed.
- All potential conflicts of interest must be fully disclosed at the time of proposal submission.

Honorarium:

- Accepted speakers will receive a \$250.00 honorarium. Complimentary symposium registration will be provided to speakers.

Session Submission Evaluation Criteria

- Topic relevancy and cutting-edge or new information, the proposal's overall relevance to the Informatics practice areas, as well as importance and benefit to DPG members.
- Applicant's experience in practice, research, and presenting on the proposed topic.

Submission Requirements (submit by September 26, 2025)

- Completed 2026 Symposium Online Proposal Form.
- Information needed for submission:
 - Speaker Contact Information
 - Speaker Bio (100 words max)
 - Speaker CV or Resume
 - Speaker Professional headshot
 - Session Title
 - Brief Summary of Presentation (about 100 words)

- CUE Learning Level
- Learning Objectives (3)
- Speaker Conflict of Interest statement
- Contact information of reference for speaker ability
- Preferred date: April 21 or April 28

The NI DPG Education Committee will begin discussions with proposed speakers in early October. Notification of decision on all submissions will be sent via e-mail no later than October 31, 2025