CALL FOR ABSTRACTS
12th ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON STIGMA
Conference Theme: "*Trauma, Recovery, and Healing*"

A Hybrid Conference Hosted by Howard University Monday, November 15, 2021 – Friday, November 19, 2021
Deadline for Submission: Friday, October 1, 2021 by 5:00pm (EST)

The goals of this hybrid conference are to increase awareness of the stigma of HIV and other health conditions and to explore interventions to eradicate this stigma. The conference also serves to educate healthcare providers and the general public about stigma as both a human rights violation and a major barrier to prevention and treatment of illnesses. We are looking for original research that addresses HIV or other mental or physical health-related stigma to be presented as a **VIRTUAL POSTER** during the conference virtual poster session. Abstracts that focus on this year's theme of, "Trauma…Recovery…Healing" are particularly encouraged. The Best Scientific Abstract Award recipient and the second-place scientific abstract will have the opportunity to provide a **BRIEF IN-PERSON PRESENTATION** (if current travel policies allow) of their work on November 15, 2021 at Howard University in addition to their participation in the virtual poster session held throughout the week of the conference. Monetary prizes will be given for the top three scientific abstracts. The Best Scientific Abstract Award recipient will receive a **$500 prize**, the second-place scientific abstract will receive a **$200 prize**, and the third-place scientific abstract will receive a **$100 prize**.

Abstract Guidelines: Submit an abstract, with a **maximum of 300 words**, to Victoria Hoverman at **vicki.hoverman@gmail.com** by **5:00pm (EST) on Friday, October 1, 2021**. Please include the full name, position/job title, affiliation and email address of each contributing author at the top of the page along with the abstract title. Author information and the abstract title are not included in the 300-word count. Research already published in peer-reviewed journals is not eligible for submission. The first author or another presenter must register for the conference if the abstract is accepted. The first author (or another presenter) of the winning abstracts must at least virtually attend the conference to receive the prizes, though in-person attendance is preferred if possible. Students, scholars, and researchers are all welcome to submit abstracts and attend the conference!

Notifications will be sent by October 15, 2021. These are virtual poster presentations only, with the exception of the Best Scientific Abstract Award winner and the second-place scientific abstract winner, which are also brief in-person oral presentations.

For questions about abstracts, contact Victoria Hoverman at vicki.hoverman@gmail.com. For general questions about the conference contact Patricia Houston at phouston@howard.edu.

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