



## CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

Dear Colleagues,

On Behalf of the PACFA Conference Committee we officially invite you to participate and actively contribute at the upcoming Biennial PACFA Conference in Sydney February 2019, with the main theme: **"WORKING WITH TRAUMA"**

Please consider the following streams below as part of the overall conference theme and present your submissions accordingly.

### CONFERENCE THEME

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The conference theme, "WORKING WITH TRAUMA"

Stream 1: Emerging Research and Practice

Stream 2: Perspectives from Therapists, Clients and Others

Stream 3: Working with Specific Populations

### HOW TO SUBMIT AN ABSTRACT

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- All abstracts must be relevant to the theme of **"WORKING WITH TRAUMA"**
- Applications must specify whether they wish to present:
  - A 30 minute paper (20 minute presentation/10 minutes questions time)
  - A 60 minute workshop
- Abstracts are to be submitted electronically via the conference website,
- Abstracts on counselling and psychotherapy research or specialist therapy modalities are encouraged.
- Please ensure that you follow the relevant Abstract Guidelines as detailed below.
- Abstracts must be submitted no later than by **5pm EST on Tuesday 31st July 2018.**
- The following checks may be carried out by the PACFA office to ensure that presentations align with PACFA's Mission & Values, including but not limited to; online presence, provided references and audience testimonials.
- Abstracts will be reviewed by the Conference Committee or their nominated representatives. The Committee's decisions are final.
- Applicants will be notified of the outcome by **September 2018** once the Conference Committee has made its decision.

# CONDITIONS OF ACCEPTANCE

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When submitting your online abstract, you will be asked to acknowledge that you have read and accept these *Conditions of Acceptance*.

**Offers to present at the conference will be made subject to the following conditions:** Selected presenters, whether presenting papers, workshops or posters, **do not receive free conference registration** and are required to pay the applicable registration fee to attend the conference.

- Selected presenters are responsible for their own travel and accommodation costs.
- The presenter's Abstract and professional biography will be reproduced for the Conference program. Both may be edited if necessary due to space restrictions.
- Presenters of papers will have the option of having their presentation filmed. This will enable post-conference dissemination of the conference proceedings. Filming will only take place where the presenter's consent has been obtained.
- Presenters of papers and workshops wishing to use a PowerPoint presentation will be required to provide their presentation to the Conference Secretariat 2 weeks prior to the conference.
- Where material relating to a client(s) is included in the presentation, the material is to be de-identified so as to prevent identification. This might be in the form of composite or fictional presentations. If the client is not de-identified, a letter of consent, signed by the client, is to be provided to the Conference Administrator at least two weeks prior to the event.
- Merchandise related to presentation may be sold via the Conference Book Stall and will not hold PACFA responsible of any liability related to the care and sale of merchandise.
- All potential presenters will be vetted through PACFA's Presenter Policy prior to acceptance and PACFA reserves the right to withdraw the invitation to present if any information becomes available prior to the conference that indicates the presentation does not align with PACFA's Mission and Values.

## Contact

For information or enquiries about submitting an Abstract, please contact the conference administrator directly [conference@pacfa.org.au](mailto:conference@pacfa.org.au) or phone 03 9486 3077.