

11TH ANNUAL

HELP ME GROW NATIONAL FORUM

May 11 - 13, 2020
Indianapolis, IN

Ways to Get Engaged

Help Me Grow affiliates are the heart and soul of the National Forum. Here is a brief overview of opportunities for affiliates to participate at the upcoming Forum.

FORUM PLANNING COMMITTEE

The Forum Planning Committee (FPC) provides an exciting opportunity for affiliates to represent the goals, interests, and needs of the Affiliate Network in the design and implementation of key activities to ensure that the Forum engages and supports affiliates. The National Center looks forward to establishing a FPC that can build on the successful contributions of previous Committees and also bring new ideas and strategies that maximize the Forum experience for all attendees. The FPC roles, responsibilities, commitment, incentive and application process are outlined in the attached FPC overview. Applications are due **November 8th**.

If you are interested in contributing ideas and suggestions for this year's Forum but cannot join Forum Planning Committee, please look for a survey that will be distributed later this year that will seek input from all Help Me Grow affiliates on potential topic areas and contributors.

CALL FOR PROPOSALS

The **Poster & Networking Session** will enable every HMG affiliate, as well as HMG partners, to showcase progress, accomplishments, and innovative approaches from their early childhood systems. Each affiliate submits a description of their poster to the National Center for inclusion in the Forum Agenda (all accepted). Posters are then designed, printed and set up by contributing author(s).

Breakout Sessions will allow presenters to engage a targeted audience around a topic relevant to the HMG system model, early childhood health and system building. To maximize the number of opportunities for Forum attendees to share and exchange expertise, Breakout Sessions will be offered in several blocks of 75-minute sessions through this year's Forum. Applications are open to affiliates, and affiliate and national partners and will be reviewed by the FPC according to criteria such as relevance, timeliness, level of anticipated interest and practical application.

The Call for Proposals for both of the above opportunities will be released later this Fall/early Winter. Breakout proposals will be due in **January**, to allow time for review and selection; Poster descriptions will not be due until **April**.