

Call for Proposals

Forum Sessions

The 2022 HMG National Virtual Forum is an opportunity for affiliates and collaborators to network, create new partnerships, and learn from each other. The event provides increasing national visibility of the HMG Network's efforts and accomplishments and highlights promising ideas and innovations.

Showcase your early childhood system building efforts and bring powerful content to the 2022 HMG National Forum!

All affiliates are encouraged to submit an application to present a content session, poster, and/or to lead a topic-based networking session.

HMG Forum 2022 Focus Areas:

1. Equity and inclusion
2. Family co-leadership
3. Strengthening family-level protective factors
4. Addressing social determinants of health
5. Emerging trends in technology
6. Policy and community change

CONTENT SESSIONS

Applications for content sessions are due May 31, 2022

Content sessions allow presenters to engage a targeted audience around a topic relevant to the HMG Model, child health & development, and/or early childhood system building.

Content sessions will be offered during several 75-minute periods throughout the virtual Forum. Affiliates and partners are encouraged to submit content session proposals on any topic of their choosing. Applicants will be asked whether their proposal touches on any of the focus areas listed above for this year's HMG Forum.

Applicants can submit more than one content session proposal. The Forum Planning Committee will review and select proposals based on several criteria, including affiliate interest in the topic, as well as practical application. Applicants will be notified of acceptance by June 30, 2022.

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[Content Session Presenter Experience](#)

75-minute content sessions will be offered throughout this year's Forum, with multiple concurrent sessions, allowing attendees the opportunity to choose sessions that are of most interest to them.

Content session presenters will host their session on the Forum's virtual attendee hub, where the audience will attend their presentation live. The audience will be in listen-only mode and will only be able to interact with the presenter using the Q&A and chat features. Please see chart below for additional information on technical features.

TOPIC-BASED NETWORKING

[Applications to facilitate a topic-based networking session are due May 31, 2022](#)

Networking with other system building and early childhood leaders is an essential element of the HMG Forum. To promote connection and relationship building, HMG National is dedicated to maintaining a variety of networking opportunities for the National Affiliate Network during the virtual event. Topic-based networking sessions are designed to bring affiliates together for facilitated discussions on a variety of relevant, engaging topics. Each topic-based networking session is 60-minutes in length on day 2 of the event (September 20, 2022).

Those interested in facilitating a structured networking session on a specific topic should submit an application with information about the topic, a brief description of its relevance to HMG, and proposed discussion questions for attendees.

Applicants will be notified of acceptance by June 30, 2022.

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[Topic-Based Networking Session Facilitator Experience](#)

During the virtual HMG Forum, topic-based networking facilitators will join a Zoom meeting room hosted on the Forum's virtual attendee hub, where conference attendees can enter to engage in discussion and connect with others who are interested in the given topic.

On day 2 of the Forum (September, 20, 2022), topic-based networking facilitators will join a Zoom meeting hosted on the Forum's virtual attendee hub from 12:05-1:05 PM EST, where attendees of the conference can enter to participate.

During the live presentation, a facilitator and their attendees will be able to utilize the Zoom chat, Q&A, as well as audio and visual capabilities to interact with each other. Presenters will receive guidance and resources in advance of the event on the technical features of their Zoom meeting room as well as 24/7 tech support from CVENT, Inc., should it be needed. Please see chart below for additional information on technical features.

POSTER SESSIONS

Applications to present a poster are due May 31, 2022

Poster presentations enable HMG affiliates to showcase an area of their work in a brief, visual, and conversational way. Posters often highlight affiliate innovations, enhancements to the Model, engagement strategies for community partners and families, continuous quality improvement projects, and more. Poster presentations are intended to be short in length and highlight high-level findings and strategies. A virtual poster session enables Forum attendees to raise visibility of their progress, ideas, accomplishments, and results from their early childhood system.

Virtual “Posters” are PDF or PPT files displayed during a dedicated period on day 3 of the event (September 21, 2022) to allow Forum attendees to join, listen, ask questions, and learn from each other.

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[Poster Presenter Experience](#)

Presenters are welcome to design a poster in PDF format or create 3-5 PowerPoint slides (a mini presentation). On day 3 of the Forum (September, 21, 2022), poster presenters will join a Zoom meeting hosted on the Forum's virtual attendee hub from 11:00-11:45 AM EST, where attendees of the conference can enter to discuss the poster.

During the live presentation, a presenter and their visitors will utilize the Zoom chat, Q&A, and audio & visual capabilities to interact with one another. Presenters will receive resources in advance of the event on the technical features of their Zoom room as well as 24/7 tech support from CVENT, Inc. In addition to the 45-minute poster presentation session on day 3 of the Forum, poster materials will also be made available for viewing throughout the duration of the four-day HMG Forum on the Forum's virtual attendee hub. Please see chart below for additional information on technical features.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS – ALL FORMATS

- Affiliates, affiliate partners, and national partners may apply.
- All applications for content sessions, topic-based networking sessions, and posters are due May 31, 2022.
- Applicants must be willing and able to attend the event on the day of their presentation.
- Accepted applicants will still be required to pay for and attend the day of presentation – single day registration is available.
- Presentation materials must be shared with HMG National in advance of the event; due date will be communicated upon acceptance.

Available Features & Functionalities by Presentation Type

Features	Content Sessions (Forum's Virtual Attendee Hub)	Poster Presentations (Zoom Meeting)	Topic-Based Networking (Zoom Meeting)
Join with audio	✘	✔	✔
Join with video	✘	✔	✔
Live Q/A	✔	✔	✔
Chat	✔	✔	✔
Breaking the audience into smaller groups	✘	✔ No pre-assigned groupings	✔ No pre-assigned groupings
Reactions <u>Ex:</u> Thumbs up, thumbs down, emoticons	✘	✔	✔
Forum's Virtual Attendee Hub	✔	✘	✘
Zoom Meeting	✘	✔	✔

Forum's Virtual Attendee Hub: Audience will be in listen only mode, cameras off, audio muted, and can only interact with presenters through the Q/A and Chat features of live attendee hub.

Zoom Meeting: Audience will have the option for video and audio sharing available to them if they wish to utilize and can interact with presenters in a variety of ways. Audience members will be able to utilize the chat function, reactions, breakout sessions, and simply talk and virtually engage with the presenters and other attendees.