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## What We Are Looking For

- **Classes** that address issues, challenges, best practices or innovations in the corrections field.
- **Presenters** that present practical and evidence-based information that exhibits relevance to the corrections field.

## Dates

**Summer Training:** June 13, 2024

Proposal deadline: March 1, 2024

Training Location: Liberty Mountain Conference Center; Lynchburg, VA

**Fall Conference Sessions:** September 10-11, 2024

Proposal deadline: May 12, 2024

Conference Location: The Inn at Virginia Tech; Blacksburg, VA

## Presentation Submission Instructions

- **Class Proposals** must be sent by the deadline for review and approval. Class proposals must include:
  - Class Title
  - Class Outline: detailing what will be addressed
  - 3-4 Learning Objectives
  - List of speakers of (3) Speakers maximum (1 Speaker must be a practitioner in the field)
- **Speaker Biography**
  - Speaker's Name, Current Title; Place of Employment
  - Synopsis of employment history
  - Description of educational background
  - Other professional affiliations or awards
  - Additional brief comments, and a synopsis of your qualifications as it pertains to the position

## Presentation Criteria

- **Duration:** Proposals should outline a presentation that spans a 2-hour time frame, allowing for in-depth exploration and meaningful engagement.
- **Relevance:** Submissions should clearly demonstrate how the proposed presentation addresses current challenges or opportunities within the correctional system.
- **Interactive Elements:** We encourage presentations that include interactive elements such as case studies, group discussions, or Q&A sessions to enhance participant engagement.
- **Practical Application:** Presentations should offer practical insights, tools, or strategies that attendees can apply within their respective roles to employ the best practices in corrections.

### Other Things to Know

- All Important deadline dates and submission resources will be sent out once the class is approved.
- All class submissions must contain the requested information to be considered for approval by the committee. Please submit the complete workshop proposal and BIOs to [Christopher.hayes@wvarj.org](mailto:Christopher.hayes@wvarj.org)
- PowerPoint presentations or lecture outlines must be submitted for review and approval 90 days after the approval notice is received.
- If a PowerPoint will not be used a complete Outline must be submitted for review and approval

### Seeking Proposals Addressing These Topics and Others

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| • Strategic Inmate Management    | • Medical & Mental Health             |
| • Risk Liability & Legal Updates | • Staff Wellness                      |
| • Leadership Development         | • Jail Safety and Security            |
| • Agency Culture                 | • PREA                                |
| • Classification                 | • Special populations                 |
| • Jail Technology                | • Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) |
| • Emerging Issues                | • Officer Wellness                    |