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CALL FOR POSTER PROPOSALS

Submission Deadline: Feb. 5, 2018



GOING VIRAL:

IMPACT AND IMPLICATIONS OF THE 1918 INFLUENZA PANDEMIC A NATIONAL, INTERDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH AND POLICY SYMPOSIUM

April 5-6, 2018, UNC-Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, NC, USA

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GOING VIRAL sponsors invite graduate and professional students, post-docs, practitioners, and others to submit **poster proposals** describing relevant research or practice in epidemiology, virology, medicine, communication, health behavior, health policy, crisis response, ethics, history, literature, and other areas relevant to the symposium theme. GOING VIRAL has a broad, interdisciplinary scope, and consequently we anticipate proposals describing research, community-focused collaboration, practice-based endeavor, humanistic/artistic response, and more. An awards committee will honor the best posters with prize designations.

The GOING VIRAL Symposium:

The world's leading infectious disease experts, joined by experts from other fields, will gather at UNC-Chapel Hill, April 5-6, 2018, for a public symposium, GOING VIRAL: IMPACT AND IMPLICATIONS OF THE 1918 INFLUENZA PANDEMIC, with the goal of defining the "state of the science" with regard to the entire landscape of research and intervention regarding pandemic infectious disease, and specifically influenza. This globally significant convening of health scientists and researchers, public health officials, policy makers, historians, communication specialists, journalists, and others is the product of a powerful partnership led by the UNC Gillings School of Global Public Health and UNC's Institute for Global Health & Infectious Diseases plus RTI International. For GOING VIRAL, UNC and RTI also will team with the North Carolina Museum of Natural History and Smithsonian's National Museum of Natural History to maximize public involvement across the state and nationally.

GOING VIRAL experts will explore the risks, newest science, and best ways to predict and prevent, prepare for and respond to an infectious disease pandemic. Although this symposium focuses on influenza, it is not the only danger, as evidenced by outbreaks in recent years of SARS, Zika, Ebola and other hemorrhagic fevers, plague, and other infectious illnesses.

POSTER PROPOSALS:

WHO: We encourage submissions from graduate and professional students, post-docs, practitioners, and others engaged in work relevant to the symposium topic.

WHAT: Poster proposals should be in the form of abstracts not exceeding 300 words (see below for submission details). Posters may describe work undertaken in academic, research, practice, and community settings. In view of the symposium's interdisciplinary framing, we anticipate proposals from diverse fields including basic and clinical sciences, public health, behavioral science, biostatistics, policy/government, ethics, anthropology, geography, journalism, history, literature and other artistic/humanistic endeavor, and others. The symposium has both retrospective and prospective dimensions, and we welcome proposals that engage the issue of infectious pandemic disease, particularly influenza, whether via historical reflection, current science and practice, or future forecasting and modeling. Interdisciplinary proposals are encouraged.

Examples of areas from which we anticipate proposals, each as it relates to pandemic infectious influenza, are:

- Humanistic/artistic/social responses to pandemic infectious disease, historic or contemporary
- Epidemiology and virology of influenza and other pandemic infectious disease
- Vaccine and antiviral science and practice
- Infectious disease surveillance, detection, response, and containment
- One Health and animal/human/ecosystem interaction
- Individual and social health behavior
- Public health ethics
- Health disparities and social justice
- Communication in pandemic disease contexts
- Prediction/modeling of pandemic disease risk/outbreak/spread/containment/economic costs/disruption
- Climate and pandemic disease
- Biopreparedness and responsive capacity of health systems (international, national, local) and hospital systems
- Research/preparedness policy, political mobilization, and funding
- Other

DEADLINE: The **proposal submission deadline** is **February 5, 2018** (11:59pm ET). Applicants will be notified of their acceptance by February 19, 2018.

QUESTIONS? Please send email query to 1918flu-posters@unc.edu at least 48 hours prior to submission deadline.

TO SUBMIT PROPOSAL: Please submit your abstract online using <https://www.cvent.com/c/abstracts/f9f20938-b61d-458a-8179-b65743d6a051>.