Abstract submission period: June 1, 2017 – June 30, 2017
Visit pdcsummit.org for directions on submitting a session abstract and speaker application.

The International Summit & Exhibition on Health Facility Planning, Design & Construction (PDC Summit) is the premiere event for health care and hospital facility senior leadership. No other conference brings health care planning, design, and construction decision-makers together like the PDC Summit.

The PDC Summit was developed by American Society for Healthcare Engineering (ASHE) and the American Hospital Association and supporting organizations including the AIA Academy of Architecture for Health, American College of Healthcare Architects, and the Facility Guidelines Institute.

PDC Summit Audience
- Hospital administrators
- Facility directors
- Architects
- Construction professionals
- Interior designers
- Health care real estate managers
- Others involved in health care planning, design, and construction

Abstracts Tips
To give your presentation the best chance of being accepted, consider the following tips.

- Sessions that feature multidisciplinary presenting teams are preferred. Consider presentation teams including architects and designers, facility professionals and owners, and construction professionals.
- Preferential consideration is given to sessions relevant to a wide range of health care organizations and billing types, including large systems and small facilities.
- Sessions that are clearly tied to one of the focus areas listed below are preferred.
- Most PDC Summit attendees are at the director level and up. Preference is given to sessions that are at the “masters” level in terms of content and delivery.
- Preference is given to sessions with information backed by recent and relevant data (case studies, research, etc.).
- Preference is given to sessions that engage participants and encourage interaction.
- Sessions offering turnkey tools, checklists, or other resources participants can apply are preferred.
- “Sales pitch” presentations will not be accepted; speakers that present in such a way at the PDC Summit will not be asked back.
Programming Concept: Adaptability for a Changing Future

In today’s rapidly changing health care climate, it’s imperative that health care facilities are adaptable to meet future challenges. The PDC Summit brings together professionals involved in the planning, design, and construction process to address important topic areas. The 2018 PDC Summit includes several areas of focus:

Improving the patient experience
Example session topics in this focus area include:
- Using design and construction features or techniques to increase patient satisfaction scores.
- Using technology to improve the patient experience.

Safety and quality in all settings
Example session topics in this focus area include:
- Safety risk assessments
- Staff safety
- Infection prevention
- Safety during construction
- Security
- Safe delivery of care
- Programming
- Patient safety
- Inpatient and outpatient centers
- ASHRAE 170 and other standards related to infection prevention

Integrating behavioral health concepts
Example session topics in this focus area include:
- Behavioral health spaces
- Ways to mitigate risks of patients hurting themselves or others in all settings (not just spaces named as behavioral health)
- Reducing stress for staff or patients
- Staff and patient wellness

Population health
Example session topics in this focus area include:
- Shifting care outside the hospital
- Emergency department and urgent health issues
- Shifting care beyond the hospital walls
- Community health
- Critical access and rural health issues
- Influencing population health through nontraditional engagement (promoting economic opportunity, education, etc.)
- Socioeconomic determinants of population health
- Sessions that apply to a variety of billing types: quick clinics, elderly housing, rehabilitation facilities, microhospitals, freestanding emergency departments, etc.
Construction and renovation
- Adaptability for the future
- Renovation of existing spaces
- Project delivery methods
- Construction-based technologies
- Mobile units
- Project leadership
- Preconstruction issues
- Owner and collaborator integration
- Managing smaller projects
- Best practices, trends, and challenges of construction

Regulation and compliance
- Joint Commission, HFAP, DNV-GL, etc.
- Emergency preparedness
- Resiliency
- USP 797 and 800
- Cost impacts of regulation
- CMS Conditions of Participation
- NFPA
- ICC
- Facility Guidelines Institute Guidelines

ASHE Speaker Terms

You will be notified if your submission is selected or not by September 7, 2017.

If your abstract submission is selected to become a conference session, main speakers will receive a complimentary registration and co-speakers will receive a discounted registration. Speakers will be responsible for their own travel, lodging, and incidental expenses.

Speakers must also agree to the following:
- I will use the Conference Speaker Center, and follow all schedules and deadlines as requested.
- I will uploaded my PDC Summit branded PowerPoint presentation slides to the online Speaker Center no later than January 31, 2018.
- I will not present my conference presentation at any other conference, seminar, or elsewhere prior to the PDC Summit or within 90 days without the written permission of ASHE.
- I consent to ASHE's recording, editing, and reproducing in any form (including but not limited to audio, video, print, computer, or other technology) my written and oral presentation and remarks and using (including by selling) the same without any compensation to me.
- I will uploaded my PDC Summit branded PowerPoint presentation slides to the online Speaker Center no later than January 31, 2018.
- I understand that no individual or entity other than ASHE may electronically record or copy any portion of this program for any purpose without prior written consent from ASHE.
### Information Needed to Complete the 2018 PDC Summit Call for Sessions

The following information includes details for submitting your presentation sessions via [ASHE’s online Conference Abstract Submission and Speaker Center](#).

| All sessions must be submitted online no later than June 30, 2017. Abstracts submitted after this date will not be accepted. |
| Abstracts submitted via e-mail will not be accepted, the online system must be used. |
| Session abstracts submitted by individuals other than the main presenter will not be considered. |
| You may create and submit multiple submissions. |

#### Session Title
- Please limit the session title to eight (8) words or fewer.
- Course titles should describe the session content so listings on continuing education transcripts communicate the subject matter to state licensing boards and other regulators.

#### Focus Area Alignment
*(Select all that apply.)*
- Improving the Patient Experience
- Safety and Quality in All Settings
- Integrating Behavioral Health Concepts
- Population Health
- Construction and Renovation
- Regulation and Compliance

#### Session Format
All sessions will be 60 or 75 minutes long. *(Please select the format that best reflects your session plan.)*
- Participatory lecture
- Panel discussion
- Debate
- Workshop
- Roundtable discussion
- Case study

#### Abstract Content
- Limit length to between 400 and 600 words.
- Describe your topic for review by the presentation selection committee.
- Explain, for example, how the problem/issue was identified; the approach used to address the problem or issue; the challenges and barriers faced; the method/analysis that was used; the conclusion or outcomes achieved; and recommendation(s) related to the topic.

#### Session Description
- Include a concise (150-word maximum) description of your session to appear in the 2018 PDC Summit brochure and on-site program.
- Write this description to accurately reflect the content and summarize why prospective attendees should invest their time attending the session.
Learning Outcomes

- Please provide four (4) learning outcomes as an outline of what attendees will be better able to do after attending your session.
- Start each outcome with a measurable action verb (e.g., assess, state, list, describe, identify, explain, etc.). Do not use verbs such as learn or understand.
- Create outcomes that are succinct and concrete to avoid misinterpretation. Outcomes should be different from the benefits specified in the session description.
- Submit all four (4) outcomes for your submission to be considered.
- Submit all four (4) outcomes for your abstract to be approved by the AIA Continuing Education program.

This session will enable attendees to:

- **Outcome Statement 1:**
- **Outcome Statement 2:**
- **Outcome Statement 3:**
- **Outcome Statement 4:**

Session Outline

Describe your plan to organize and deliver the session. What learning design approaches will you take to engage participants? What will the attendee do during your session?

Audience *(Select all that apply.)*

- Health care administrators
- Facility directors/managers
- Contractors
- Architects
- Other _____________

Speakers

- Add the following for ALL participating speakers for your submitted session abstract:
  - Name
  - Credentials
  - Company
  - E-mail address
  - Speaker experience
  - Speaker bio (75 word maximum)
- Does your proposed session include one or more owners? (Y / N)
- Names omitted here will NOT be printed in the conference brochure, author index, or final on-site program.

Have you (or any co-presenter) presented on this topic previously? If so, where and in front of what audience? (Optional: Share a reference from a colleague on your speaking abilities.)

Finally, we ask that you submit a tool or handout that will go with your presentation.

Good luck!