



SUSTAINING PROGRESS THROUGH IMPROVED STRATEGY AND COLLABORATION

2026 CONFERENCE
JULY 16-18

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CALL FOR PROPOSALS (Non-student Researchers/Professionals)

The NeurodivURGENT Conference is a three-day, highly interactive hybrid event designed to serve as a catalyst for collaboration around issues that directly impact the plights of underserved youth facing neurocognitive challenges. By intentionally curating interdisciplinary panels, workshops, roundtable discussions and keynote presentations that explore different sides of the same issues, this event is positioned to spark innovative partnerships and assist professionals in gaining better understandings of how their respective roles fit into the larger neurodiversity ecosystem.

Overview:

The NeurodivURGENT team is currently seeking researchers, educators, field practitioners who have done equity-centered research and/or field work on behalf of neurodivergent youth in the following disciplines: law/legal profession, education, social work, psychology, neuroscience, public health, policy/public service and medicine

Emphasis must be placed on one or more of the following five (5) areas: cognition & learning, rehabilitative justice, behavioral and emotional health, equitable access to screening and treatment and/or caregiver support.

Submission Types:

Participants may apply to showcase their work through NeurodivURGENT Convos, panel discussions, workshops, research/field work presentations, and research/field work posters. All entries will be peer-reviewed and selected based on rubric criteria provided in submission instructions.

NeurodivURGENT Convos

NeurodivURGENT Convos are 15-minute speeches designed to address salient issues relating to one or more of the key focus areas listed above. Speeches should be high-energy, engaging, and relevant to the conference theme: Sustaining Process Through Improved Strategy and Collaboration.

Panel Discussions

Panel discussions held during the NeurodivURGENT conference provide opportunities for attendees to hear various perspectives on important topics relating to the support of neurodivergent youth and families. Panels should include individuals who are highly-skilled in the areas addressed and should aim to address issues from a diverse perspectives that allow for robust and enriching thought-leadership on the topic discussed.

Workshops

NeurodivURGENT workshops provide opportunities for hands-on engagement that encourages participants to actively work through scenarios that challenge them to design strategies that are transferable into their day-to-day lives as professionals, parents/caregivers, and community stakeholders.

Research/Field Work Posters:

Selected posters will remain on exhibit for the entirety of the conference. Those who have submitted accepted posters will be allotted time to share their work and engage with conference attendees during the two-hour poster session event.

Research/Field Work Presentations:

Selected presenters will be allotted 30 minutes each to share their research and/or field work and an additional 5-10 minutes for Q & A. Final presentations and all other visual aids must be submitted in advance to ensure an efficient, engaging, and pleasant experience for all.

Submission Portal Opens:

(Guidelines, rubrics, and submission instructions will also be provided at this time.)

Wednesday, October 8, 2025

Submission Deadline:

Friday, December 19, 2025 at 11:59 PM CST

Decisions Emailed:

Monday, January 26, 2026