

The New England Association of Fire Chiefs is calling for papers from presenters desiring to deliver professional development seminars at our 96th Annual Conference and Exposition at Foxwoods Resort and Casino in Connecticut.

Our attendees come from a broad range of fire and emergency service organizations representing various skill sets, experience levels, and interests. If you're passionate about the fire and emergency services profession and are interested in delivering a dynamic and engaging presentation during our conference scheduled for June 21-23, 2018, then we want to hear from you!

We're particularly interested in sessions that address the following topic areas:

- Legal Issues for the Fire and Emergency Services
- Leadership
- Strategic Planning
- Succession Planning
- Tactics and Strategy
- Mentoring Programs
- Discipline and Misconduct
- Incident Command
- Radio Communications
- Fire Fighter Health and Safety
- Emerging/Current Fire Service Issues
- Emergency Scene Accountability

The Professional Development Committee will evaluate all proposals based on the following factors: topic, currency, relevancy, attendee interests, and presenter's experience and credentials. Presenters who submit proposals that promise to deliver true value through the following stand the best chance of being selected:

- Interactive sessions that engage the participants in dynamic group discussions
- Case studies that detail specific fire service problems, lessons learned and insights into applying those lessons within their departments or to other circumstances
- Round Table Panel discussions that examine fire service trends and concerns from multiple perspectives and encourage attendees to re-examine their own operations, practices and procedures

Applications must be received by **Thursday, December 15, 2017 at 5:00 pm EDST**. To submit your presentation, obtain assistance relative to the content of your session, or to answer any questions you may have, please contact Massachusetts Director, Chief Larry McDonald, at lmcdonald@newenglandfirechiefs.org. The Board of Directors look forward to hearing from you soon.