



## **2025 Maine CHW Summit: Call for Breakout Abstracts**

### **Building CHW Leaders to Make a Difference Through Advocacy & Awareness**

The Maine CHW Initiative is hosting its annual Maine CHW Summit on June 24, 2025, from 8:00 am-4:30 pm, at the Augusta Civic Center. For more details about the event, [visit the registration page](#).

A limited number of breakout presentations will be available during the summit. We are now calling for MECHWI members and partners to submit abstracts.

#### **Proposal**

To be considered for a breakout session, please submit a proposal by the **close of business on May 16, 2025**, to [benjamin.hummel@maine.gov](mailto:benjamin.hummel@maine.gov) that includes the following:

- Presentation Title
- Presenters: Name, Title/Credential, Organization
- Narrative (300 words maximum):
  - Define the purpose/aim of your presentation.
  - Include at least 2 learning objectives that capture what you hope participants will take away.
  - Provide a summary or outline of the content you will cover, including any resources or tools.
  - Explain how your presentation advances at least one of the following Summit objectives:
    1. Allow CHWs to reflect on and build confidence as leaders within their community or organization.
    2. Help CHWs build skills to advocate for their community needs and workforce priorities.

Note: The breakout presentations will be 30-60 minutes in length, depending on the total number of abstracts selected.

#### **Benefits**

Those who present at the Summit will receive 1 free admission and will have the opportunity to:

- Gain professional experience and skills that they can add to a resume.
- Collaborate and network with their peers.
- Share resources, strategies, and insights with those working in the field.

#### **Abstract Selection**

The Summit Planning Committee will review all abstracts submitted by the deadline and select those that best align with the following objectives:

- Allow CHWs to reflect on and build confidence as leaders within communities and organizations.
- Help CHWs build skills to advocate for their community needs and workforce priorities.

The breakout presentations should provide CHWs with skill-building and resources related to leadership and/or advocacy. If you are interested in presenting at the Summit on a topic not related to advocacy or leadership, we encourage you to submit an abstract for a poster presentation.

The Summit Planning Committee will notify you by the end of May if your abstract is selected and will meet with you to provide further guidance on developing your breakout session.