

2025 Maine CHW Summit: Call for Poster 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, <u>visit the registration page</u>.

Up to 12 organizations will be able to display posters on topics of their choosing during the Summit. We are now calling for MECHWI members and partners to submit poster abstracts.

Proposal

To be considered for a poster, please submit an abstract by the **close of business on May 16, 2025,** to <u>bhummel@mcd.org</u> that includes the following:

- Title
- Authors: Name, Title/Credential, Organization
- Narrative (250 words maximum):
 - Why did you choose the topic, and how is it relevant to CHWs?
 - What is the objective or purpose of the poster?
 - Provide a summary or outline of what type of content you plan to include.

Note: We do not expect posters to include research. However, it may be helpful to develop your poster using a traditional research template, which typically includes Title, Authors, Aim/Purpose, Methods/Approach, Results, and Conclusion. You are not required to use this framework.

Session Format

Poster boards will be set up in a dedicated room at the venue. Participants will have approximately one hour on the agenda to view their chosen posters. Presentations will be informal. Authors are encouraged to stand by their poster, take questions, and engage with the audience as they circulate through the room.

Benefits

Those who display a poster 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.

• Showcase outcomes or accomplishments from their program.

Abstract Selection

The Summit Planning Committee will review all abstracts submitted by the deadline and select those that best showcase the work of CHW programs in diverse regions, communities, and sectors in Maine. If your abstract is selected by the end of May, you will be notified and receive further guidance and instructions for creating your poster and preparing for the Summit.

Poster Printing

If your abstract is selected, you will be responsible for professionally printing your poster, including covering the cost. We ask that your poster is 36 x 48 inches, in landscape orientation, laminated, and mounted. We also request that you bring a display easel. Staples can print posters with these specifications for approximately \$150 and sell display easels for as low as \$15.