Conference Highlights

SSWR 17th Annual Conference
Social Work for a Just Society: Making Visible the Stakes and Stakeholders
January 16-20, 2013
Sheraton San Diego Hotel and Marina
San Diego, CA

The SSWR Annual Conference offers a scientific program that reflects a broad range of research interests, featuring studies in child welfare, aging, mental health, welfare reform, substance abuse, HIV/AIDS, organizations and management, poverty and social policy, research and design measurement, and more. Annual conference events and activities include:

- Presidential plenary and awards presentation, invited symposia, and over 500 symposia, workshop, roundtable, paper, and poster presentations.
- Research methods workshops designed to enhance methods expertise and grant-writing skills and special sessions on research priorities and capacity building that target cutting-edge topics vital to contemporary social work research.
- Program and networking events especially for doctoral students. Opportunities for student volunteers are also available.
- Over 40 exhibitors including universities, publishers, non-profit organizations, foundations, and government agencies
- Earn up to 28.5 hours of Continuing Education Units (CEU) (additional fee)
- 30+ special interest groups convene (all welcome)
- Job Seekers Registry

Due to the large number of presentations at the conference, only a small sample of the workshops, roundtables, symposia, and papers are highlighted below.

Workshops
• Engaging Students as Researchers
• Publishing Research in Peer-Reviewed Journals: Talk with the Editors
• Journal Editors’ Forum on Publishing Qualitative Research
• Using Technology to Support Research Fidelity
• Measurement Development and Analysis for Research with Diverse Populations
• Distress Screening in Cancer
• Publishing Rigorous Qualitative Research
• Measuring the Implementation of Social Work Interventions

Roundtables
• Advancing Social Work Research with Transgender Clients Through Innovative Collaborations
• Neighborhood Metrics and Measures
• Social Work’s Contribution to Community Integration for Individuals with Serious Mental Illness
• Making the Stakes and Stakeholders in Child Maltreatment Visible
• The Role of Reflexivity in the Generation of Knowledge
• Sharing Leadership and Leveraging Their Competencies to Implement Evidence-Based Practices
Symposia
• Recovery and Mental Illness
• Midwest Evaluation of the Adult Functioning of Former Foster Youth
• Incorporating Historical Time Into Research on LGBT Populations
• Asset-Based Strategies for Enhancing the Well-Being of Children and Youths
• Risk and Protective Factors in Rural Youth
• Immigrant Youth Development
• The Impact of Immigration Policies within Latino Communities
• Revealing the Stakes of Prison and Jail Reentry Intervention

Papers
• Parents’ Involvement in an Evidence-Based Child Mental Health Program
• Investigation of the Role of Country and Workplace Patriarchal Closure and Egalitarian Policies and Practices
• Street Victimization and Mental Health Consequences Among Homeless Youth
• Mobilizing Urban Community Members to Ensure Poverty-Impacted Youth Have Access to Evidence-Based Prevention Programs
• The Effect of Recent Social Protection Changes in the Palestinian Territories On the Poor
• Challenges of Providing Case Management to Domestic Minor Victims of Sex Trafficking
• Gender and Race/Ethnicity in Sexual Orientation-Motivated Bias Crimes
• Availability of Medicaid-Covered Substance Abuse Treatment Services
• Need, Access, Utilization and Outcomes of Post-Adoption Services for Adoptive Families
• Fathers’ Supports and Challenges to Prevent Child Exposure to Domestic Violence
• Validation of the Attitudes Toward Disabilities in Social Work (ADSW) Scale