

Call for **Presenters Guide**



2027 Annual **TRAINING CONFERENCE**

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WHAT?

2027 APAI Annual Training Conference

WHEN

April 25-28, 2027

WHERE?

Denver, Colorado, USA

Parole and community supervision systems are continually evolving in response to changing communities, emerging research, advances in technology, legislative reforms, and new approaches to public safety and rehabilitation. This conference provides an opportunity for leaders and practitioners from around the world to learn from one another and shape the future of parole together.

Paroling authorities are invited to submit presentation proposals for an upcoming training conference focused on current issues, emerging trends, innovative approaches, and best practices in parole and community supervision.

This conference will bring together parole and release decision-making authorities, community supervision professionals, corrections leaders, policymakers, researchers, and justice professionals from around the world to share knowledge, examine evolving challenges, and explore effective strategies to support release decision-making, promote public safety, successful reentry, accountability, and positive outcomes for individuals under supervision.

We are seeking presenters who can provide practical, thought-provoking, and evidence-informed perspectives on the issues shaping the future of release decision-making, parole and community supervision.

Topics of Interest...

While all submissions will be considered, we are particularly interested in workshops and general sessions on the following presentation topics:

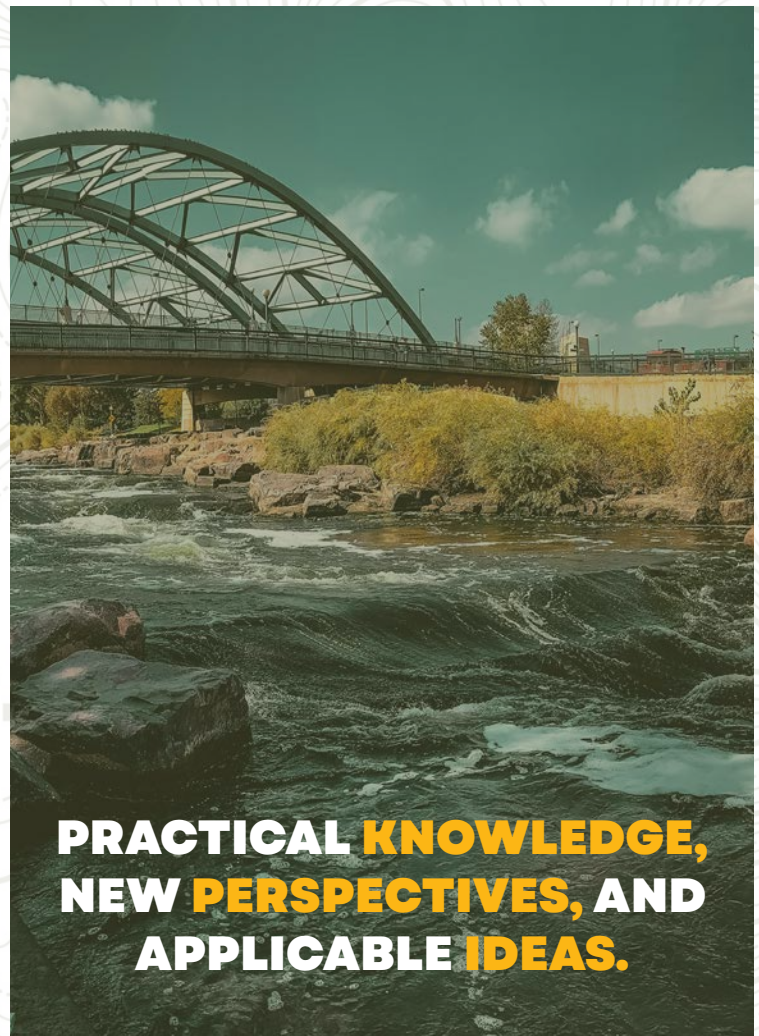
- **Emerging Trends in Parole and Community Supervision** – Current developments, challenges, and innovations affecting parole systems worldwide.
- **Evidence-Based Practices** – Research, practices, and strategies demonstrating measurable improvements in supervision and reentry outcomes, and best predictors to guide decision-making.
- **Effective Reentry and Reintegration** – Strategies that support incentivizing release opportunities and successful transitions from incarceration to the community.
- **Risk and Needs Assessment** – Advances in assessing static risk, or protective factors and how these assessments can inform decision-making, and individualized supervision.
- **Technology and Innovation** – The use of technology, data, artificial intelligence, and other emerging tools to enhance parole and community supervision.
- **Victim-Centered Practices** – Incorporating victim perspectives, rights, safety, and services into parole decisions and supervision processes.
- **Behavioral Health and Substance Use** – Approaches to addressing behavioral health and substance use needs within community supervision.
- **Supervision Strategies and Case Management** – Innovative approaches to balancing accountability, support, and public safety.
- **Graduated Responses and Incentives** – Effective responses to compliance, noncompliance, and behavioral change.
- **Desistance and Behavior Change** – Applying principles of desistance, motivation, and evidence-based interventions to supervision.
- **Equity, Fairness, and Impartial Decision-Making** – Promoting consistency, transparency, and fairness in parole and supervision decisions.
- **Leadership and Workforce Development** – Building effective, resilient, and professional parole and community supervision workforces.
- **International Perspectives and Comparative Practices** – Lessons learned from different jurisdictions and approaches that may be adapted across systems.

- **Measuring Success** – Data, performance measures, and methods for evaluating the effectiveness of release decisions, and parole and community supervision.
- **Legislative and Policy Developments** – Current laws, policies, and reforms influencing parole and community supervision.
- **Partnerships and Collaboration** – Building effective partnerships among parole authorities, corrections, courts, law enforcement, service providers, victims, and communities.
- **Innovative Approaches to Public Safety** – New strategies for promoting community safety while supporting successful reentry.
- **Current Events and Emerging Issues** – Significant developments or emerging challenges that are influencing parole, corrections, and community supervision.

What We are Looking For...

Presentations and workshops should offer participants practical knowledge, new perspectives, and ideas that can be applied within their own jurisdictions. We particularly welcome proposals that:

- **Highlight innovative or emerging practices;**
- **Share lessons learned from successful programs or reforms;**
- **Present research and data demonstrating effective outcomes;**
- **Address challenges currently facing parole and community supervision authorities;**
- **Provide comparative or international perspectives;**
- **Encourage discussion and collaboration among jurisdictions;**
- **Offer practical strategies that participants can take back to their organizations; and**
- **Use interactive presentations and workshops to engage participants in discussion, problem-solving, skill-building, and practical application.**



Presentations may be delivered by individual experts or panels representing multiple perspectives or jurisdictions.

If you have a practice, program, research finding, innovation, challenge, or perspective that could benefit the international parole community, we invite you to submit a proposal to present.

Proposals will be reviewed based on relevance to the conference theme, applicability to parole and community supervision, originality, practical value, and the potential to generate meaningful discussion among an international audience.

Proposal Submissions

The deadline to submit your initial proposal is Friday, October 9, 2027.

You will be notified whether your submission was selected in November 2026 and if so, you will be contacted to schedule your presentation day and time. Once your time and date has been established, a contract will be sent to you to verify the details of your presentation. All materials, presenter biographies, and session descriptions included with the proposal must be submitted in English.

Presentations and any handouts will need to be submitted no later than Friday, March 19, 2027. These deadlines are critical, so please make sure you will be able to commit to them prior to submitting a proposal.

SUBMIT YOUR PROPOSAL

Please submit your presentation proposals by visiting **www.apaintl.org/call-for-presenters** or by scanning the QR code here.



PLEASE NOTE

Some presenters may be asked to combine their workshop or general session with another similar presentation to maximize training opportunities and attendee engagement.

APAI is NOT able to pay fees, travel costs, or expenses associated with a presentation.

We encourage all presenters to register for the conference and attend additional sessions and conference events; but it is not mandatory that they do so. If presenters plan to attend the conference solely to present their workshop and do not wish to attend other educational sessions or conference events, they do not need to register for the conference.

Members and non-members of APAI who are presenting and would like to attend other workshops and conference events will need to register for the conference.

APAI members, please share this call for presenters with individuals, agencies, and organizations that would have an interest in presenting.

Help us create a worldwide dialogue on **Power of Parole Professionals: Investing in People, Supporting Practice, and Enhancing Public Safety**. Share your expertise, your experience, and your vision for what comes next.

For questions, please contact us at the email address and phone numbers displayed here. Thank you for your interest in the work of APAI and we look forward to seeing you in Denver, CO!

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