



## NEBSA Symposium 2022: Call for Presentations

The New England Biological Safety Association (NEBSA) is pleased to announce that we will be returning with an **in-person format** for this year's symposium and are now taking proposals. The annual symposium aims to promote knowledge of biological safety and to support those working in the field of biosafety by providing educational and networking opportunities in the New England region for those with an interest in biological safety. The 2022 NEBSA Symposium will be held on **Thursday October 27th (full day)** at the Broad Institute in Cambridge, MA. All proposals must be received by **August 21st, 2022**.

### Proposals will be accepted for:

**Presentations** - Team or individual proposals accepted. Presentation slots will be 20, 30 or 40 minutes.

**Panels** - Panel discussions will be considered. They may be organized and submitted as a group by a panel coordinator, or an individual may submit their particular viewpoint to become part of a panel.

### Presentation Rules:

**Content** – The NEBSA Symposium seeks to educate its audience and *not promote any specific products*. Exhibit space is available for all promotional activity. **Only presentations that are product-neutral and biological safety-related will be considered.** Presentation selections will be made based upon desired topics, flow of content, educational value and understanding of the content. Presentation material will, with the permission of the presenter, be posted on the NEBSA website after the Symposium.

**Agenda Schedule** – The symposium organizers will set the time for each presentation, in order to optimize the sequencing and flow of content and tracks. NEBSA will notify all selected speakers by September 7<sup>th</sup>.

### Who Attends?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Biological Safety Officers        | <input type="checkbox"/> Educators                     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> IBC Community Members             | <input type="checkbox"/> Health & Safety Personnel     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Public Health Officers            | <input type="checkbox"/> Researcher Laboratory Workers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Healthcare Workers                | <input type="checkbox"/> Laboratory Managers           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Occupational Health Professionals | <input type="checkbox"/> Safety Product Developers     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Laboratory Safety Representatives |  |

## Speaker Benefits:

All speakers will receive the following: a complimentary pass to the Symposium with access to all sessions, panels, meals/snacks and parking reimbursement. Speakers will be featured on the NEBSA website. The above benefits do not extend to support staff or colleagues who may accompany the speaker.

## Suggested Presentation Topics

- New Technology:** Biological Safety Issues Associated with CRISPR/CAS, New Viral Vectors, Synthetic Biology, Nanotechnology
- Emerging Infectious Diseases:** Case Studies/Institutional Response
- Regulatory Issues:** Interpretation of, or response to, new regulations, guidelines
- Incident Response:** Managing Response to Laboratory Acquired Infections, Spills, Exposures, Case Studies
- Emergency Response:** Dealing with Large-Scale Emergencies, Natural Disasters, Case Studies
- Biosecurity:** Program Development, Emerging Issues
- Program Management:** Training, Risk Assessment, Resource Development, Time Management Strategies
- Higher containment laboratories:** Facility Design, Training, Oversight, Validation, Emergency Response

## Submissions:

For proposal submissions please send the following to [symposium@ne-bsa.org](mailto:symposium@ne-bsa.org) by August 28:

1. Speaker name
2. Speaker title
3. Speaker contact email and phone number
4. Title of the presentation
5. Estimated time required for presentation (20, 30 or 40 minutes)
6. Abstract/Description of Presentation (500 words or less, written in the 3<sup>rd</sup> person)
7. Brief Speaker Bio
8. Permission to post presentation on NEBSA website after symposium (yes or no)

Questions, concerns, feedback or comments may be emailed to [symposium@ne-bsa.org](mailto:symposium@ne-bsa.org)

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