

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR PSYCHOANALYSIS  
IN CLINICAL SOCIAL WORK – AAPCSW  
November 2023 – TBD  
Location – TBD  
**CALL FOR PAPERS**  
Deadline April 10, 2023  
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## **Reaching Across the Divide: Bringing a Psychoanalytic Sensibility to Culture and Practice**

At this conference, we will explore what we are experiencing inside and outside our consulting rooms. “Divisiveness” seems more prominent today than at other times in history. Is it no greater but rather less hidden today? How are we to hear the other and bridge the gaps that we encounter? From its focus on internal conflict to the ways in which we understand and face difference, psychoanalytic thinking has much to say about the topic of divisiveness. Join us as we discuss the theory and therapeutic stance of responding to divisions, as they relate to the issues that are presented to us in our practices, in our communities, and in the world.

### **GUIDELINES FOR PAPERS, PANELS, WORKSHOPS, AND ESSAYS**

The Conference Committee invites submissions related to the theme.  
Papers may reflect but are not limited to the following:

- Ways to understand seemingly contradictory phenomena.
- The clinical implications of the intersection of the inner and outer worlds, including race, ethnicity, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, socio-economic status, disability, religion, age, and socio-political phenomena.
- Internal and external psychic turmoil as it emerges in the therapeutic process.
- Trauma and its evolving theories.
- Group, family, or couples therapy
- Social media and its impact on psychoanalytic practice and values.
- Historical perspectives and debates in psychoanalysis.
- Applied psychoanalysis to areas such as politics, economics, and organizations.
- The application of scientific findings and outcome studies -- neuroscience, technology -- to the clinical work

## **Please include**

- Cover sheet: (a) Name, address, phone number, fax number, e-mail for each author, co-author, or panelist, (b) title of paper, (c) two - three sentence abstract summarizing core ideas of presentation, and (d) two educational objectives that state what the audience will learn, The statement reads: "After attending the presentation, participants will be able to..."-- using "measurable" active verbs such as: describe, define, identify, discuss, explain, list, apply, demonstrate, analyze, assess, compare, critique.
- A brief professional biographical statement, *listing* your name, credentials, 1-3 affiliations, 1-3 book publications or topics of papers, geographical area of practice, etc.

*Published papers are not acceptable.*

## **Presentation Categories**

- Case study/clinical paper: Include a copy of the full paper with no biographical or identifying data. Presentations will be approximately 25-30 minutes each, maximum 15 pages (approximately 3,600 words), double-spaced, 1.25 inch margins, with no smaller than 12-point font.
- Panel (90 minutes): Panels consist of two or more presenters. Include a prepared paper (if any) or a three to five page abstract for each presenter, describing how the discussion will be structured, the overarching theme and specific focus. Allow time for discussion among the presenters and between the presenters and the audience.
- Workshop (90 minutes): Workshops should consist of didactic and practical or experiential components for 2 or more presenters. Include a prepared paper (if any) or a three to five page abstract for each presenter, describing how the workshop will be structured, the overarching theme and specific focus.

## **E-mail submissions to: [aapcsw@gmail.com](mailto:aapcsw@gmail.com)**

Please have the subject line of your e-mail read: *AAPCSW 2023 Conference Submission*

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## **CALL FOR STUDENT AND/OR CANDIDATE PAPERS**

Please follow the submission guidelines detailed above for the case study/clinical paper and mark your paper as an entry for the special student or candidate award. Awards will be granted to the best papers in each category. The winners will be invited to present their papers.

## **Address inquiries to Student Papers Chair:**

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*All presenters must pay registration fees and are eligible for a registration discount.*