



The iaedp Foundation Announces 2015 Symposium after Concluding its Record-Breaking Year
Call for Proposals Now Open for 2015 Symposium

Pekin, Ill (April 22, 2014) – After another year for the record books, the [International Association of Eating Disorder Professionals Foundation \(iaedp™\)](#) is proud to announce the 29th Annual iaedp Symposium to take place March 19-23, 2015 at the Pointe Hilton Tapatio Cliffs Resort in Phoenix. In addition, the call for proposals is now open for treatment providers from all disciplines.

The 2015 Symposium offers four days of training sessions and instructive presentations. Due to its extreme popularity, iaedp will once again offer its pre-certification courses onsite at Symposium 2015. Those eating disorder professionals who are interested in presenting at the Symposium may submit their proposals from now until Monday, August 18 at: <https://iaedp.confex.com/iaedp/2015/cfp.cgi>. The 2015 Symposium is seeking abstracts on inventive treatment modalities for the numerous phases of the eating disordered client's journey-- from denial and resistance to treatment and, ultimately, recovery.

This year's iaedp Symposium, held in St. Petersburg, Florida, had record attendance with more than 500 professionals from across the nation and around the world. The program offered professionals new to the field or who do not specialize in eating disorders a comprehensive introduction to eating disorders and eating disorder training courses in a two-day, 12-hour track leading up to the Symposium.

The Symposium also featured:

- The iaedp's Foundation's fourth annual "Imagine Me Beyond What You See" body image art competition also set a record with 20 submissions from around the world. The first place winner was "The Lion's Journey" by Bella Vita Eating Disorder Treatment Center. The winning mannequin, standing more than six feet tall, was secretly shipped to the site of the Symposium and unveiled to a spectacular response. Other awards included: Runner Up, "Frustrate" by Rebecca Tishman; Professional's Choice Award, "Hear Me Now!" by Erika Noble with Karen Polin, BFA, ATR of The Renfrew Center of Florida; Honorable Mention, "Blossoming Growth

of a Beautiful Life” by Bella Vita A Beautiful Life Psychology Group; and “When I Remain Rooted I Can Fly Free (Fiona)” by Dr. Laura Riss, PsyD Kaiser Permanente art therapy group.

- Kevin Wandler, M.D., Medical Director of Remuda Ranch at The Meadows, was appointed 2015 president-elect of the iaedp Foundation.

“This has been a tremendous year for the iaedp Foundation. With record Symposium attendance and Imagine Me submissions, this has been a year to remember,” said iaedp managing director, Bonnie Harken. “We are so excited for next year’s Symposium and what the future brings for iaedp.”

About iaedp

Established in 1985, iaedp provides education and high-level training standards to an international multidisciplinary group of various healthcare treatment providers and helping professions who treat the full spectrum of eating disorder problems.

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