This year’s theme for the 3rd Annual Children of Incarcerated Parents Conference is: **From Awareness to Action**

Looking back to our first two years, the focus of the National Children of Incarcerated Parents Conference has been on building awareness and collaboration. This year, our audacious conference goal is to expand programming, advocacy and policy, across the country in a big way. We have been inspired by the feedback from prior conference attendees who have been motivated to return home and put in place programming. That was a great start; now let’s expand the reach of our impact!

We are also dismayed at the lack of policy at the federal, state and local levels that would better the lives of these children and their families. Last year the need for organizing and advocating was strongly emphasized. In order to meet this year’s goal of action, we invite proposals for 90-minute workshops or panels, 30-minute papers, and posters in 3 tracks.

We welcome collaborative proposals and those that incorporate lived experience. Please see track descriptions located on page 3.

**Proposal Format:**

Please prepare your proposal in the following format.

**File Name:** LAST NAME _ Track _ Proposal Type (ex. Smith_Any Track_Panel)

Please include your full name, with appropriate designations such as Doctor, Professor, etc., your title, institution, as well as the names and titles of those who will present with you. Please also include the following:

1. Preferred Format
2. Engagement Strategies
3. Objectives (Please provide up to 3)

**Word Count**

We suggest a minimum word count of appx 200-300 word description. Please be sure to be as specific as possible as to what your presentation seeks to teach/inform, as well as the evidence to support your results.

**Selection Process**

Proposals are selected to ensure the conference offers a comprehensive and diverse program. You may be invited to present in a format other than the one you specified.
Email

Please add childwellbeing@asu.edu to your email address book. We use MailChimp for all our communications surrounding proposals and some email servers will mark our distribution list as SPAM if we are not part of your address book.

Key Dates

Proposal Deadline: **Friday, January 10th, 2020**
Notification of Acceptance: **Monday, February 3rd, 2020**
Deadline to Confirm Acceptance: **Monday, February 10th, 2020**
Conference Agenda Published: **Monday February 17th, 2020**
Registration: **Open Now**
**Track 1: Service & Practice in Programs and Systems**
Do you implement or evaluate best practices that touch children and families prior to incarceration (e.g. at arrest), during incarceration (e.g. visits and family camp, parenting, communication) or at re-entry?

We welcome proposals on programs and practices that are implemented in large systems (child welfare, education, mental health, law enforcement, income support) as well as in nonprofits and service organizations. Proposals are especially welcome that include evaluative results that are considered evidence based, and that can be shared for implementation in other jurisdictions.

The goal of this track is education and skill building that could result in application to a new setting. We welcome collaborations of similar program models across settings.

**Track 2: Community Advocacy**
Proposals are welcome to help prepare those who are affected to tell their stories to advocate, as well as presentations that provide a roadmap for how to organize and build coalitions, and how to elevate the needs of all communities --especially those disproportionately affected (e.g. Native American, African American, LatinX, and rural populations).

Do you have a model advocacy initiative? How do you address ethical issues involved in advocacy such as:

- When is engaging children and families exploitative?
- How do you use language (such as the intergenerational cycle) without inducing stigma?
- How do you monitor social media to gain allies and leverage support?

Share with others so they may replicate your success and learn from your experience. We welcome collaborations among those personally impacted, community organizers, advocates, and program providers.

**Track 3: Promoting Public Policy**
We are looking at successful policy development and implementation at local, state, and federal levels. How did you do it and with what effect? Share your strategy to help others replicate your success. What policies should we promote across jurisdictions and what tactics work best for developing legislation and gaining support?