Special Workshop
State Trainings, Certifications, & Conferences
April 26-30, 2023
Houston, TX
Final Agenda

Wednesday, April 26th

1-3:30pm  Harris County Tour, bus will begin loading at 12:45 and leave at 1PM

6-7:30pm  Registration Open (Foyer 1 &2)
           Welcome Reception (Boulevard Ballroom)

All meetings Thursday and Friday will be held in the Ballroom A/B, all sessions are on the 1st floor.

Thursday, April 27th

8am-3pm  Registration Open (Foyer 1 &2)

8:30-9:00am  Breakfast (Foyer 1 &2)

9-9:15am  Day 1 Welcome: Election Center Executive Leadership (Ballroom A/B)

9:15-10:45am  1-1 Curriculum Conversation & Overview
                A discussion and review of what training curriculum are being used by state associations
                and chief election officials to train election professionals. What are the core
                components, topics? How many modules are there and what is the time commitment for
                each?
                Auburn: Dr. Kathleen Hale & Dr. Mitchell Brown

10:45-11:00am  Break (Foyer 1 &2)

11:00-12:00pm  1-2 Academic Partnerships in Training
                OH: Aaron Ockerman, Ohio Assoc of Election Officials
                UT: Shelly Jackson, Utah Lt Gov Office & Leah Murray, Weber State Univ
                GA: Dr Jesse Harris, Sr. Georgia Secretary of State's Office (virtual)

12:00-1:30pm  Hosted Lunch (Boulevard Ballroom)

1:30 – 2:30pm  1-3 Certification: Who Does It? Where is it Required? What are the Benefits?
                Certification happens in a variety of ways. This session will look at what the statutes are,
                how states satisfy the legal requirements (where they exist) and why some states have
                established programs that are not mandated.
                FL: Mark Earley, Florida Supervisors of Elections
                CO: Hillary Rudy, Colorado Secretary of State’s Office

2:30-3:15pm  1-4 New to the Field: Addressing the Turnover in the Profession
                We will hear from some states and localities how they are dealing with this challenge
                and then have a working session for table discussions and sharing of ideas.
                NC: Karen Brinson Bell, North Carolina Board of Elections
                MI: Michael Siegrist, Michigan Association of Municipal Clerks

3:15-3:30pm  Break (Foyer 1 &2)
3:30-4:30pm 1-5 Leveraging external content: What is out there & How are you using it?
CISA will share what content they have available and the EAC will brief on the revised Election Management Guidelines and how they can be leveraged in state training. Breakout groups will then discuss and compare what is being used in their state, identify where there are gaps and options available to fill them.
CISA: Noah Praetz
EAC: Commissioner Tom Hicks & Commissioner Ben Hovland

4:30-5:00pm 1-6 CLE: The Process to Qualify & Reasons for Doing So
NC: Karen Brinson Bell, North Carolina Board of Elections
Brennan Center: Veronica Degraffenreid

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**Friday, April 28th**

8-10:00am  Registration Open (Foyer 1 & 2)
8:30-9:00am  Breakfast (Foyer 1 & 2)
9-9:15am  Day 2 Welcome: Election Center Executive Leadership (Ballroom A/B)
9:15-10:30am 2-1 Facilitation Skills: From Training Class to Conference Ballroom
Dr. David Janka, Stanford University d.school
Nadia Roumani, Stanford University d.school

10:30-10:45am  Break (Foyer 1 & 2)

10:45am-12:00pm 2-2 Mixing it up: Reports from the field on the “Un-Conference” & Other Strategies
Speakers will give an overview of how they are “mixing it up”. Breakout groups will then discuss and compare what is being used in their own states leveraging the preceding session on facilitation.
VA: Brenda Cabrera, Voter Registrars’ Assoc of Virginia
MO: Shane Schoeller, Missouri County Clerks Assoc & Election Authorities

12-1:30pm  Lunch on Own

1:30-2:15pm 2-3 Online Training Platforms & other Tech: What is being used?
Demonstration of various tools with a conversation around how associations and election offices make decisions, identify priorities, and deliver content that meets members' needs.
Center for Tech & Civic Life: Josh Simon Goldman, Rocio Hernandez, & Matt Mortellaro

2:15-3:15pm 2-4 Funding Opportunities
Member fees, exhibitors, sponsorships, & grants—how are associations funding their efforts? What resources are available? A conversation and workshopping of ideas.
Consilium Consulting: Pam Anderson
Houston Endowment: Ben Chou

3:15-3:30pm  Break (Foyer 1 & 2)

3:30-5pm 2-5 Ethics, Principles, & Code of Conduct
What is currently in play in the field? What is needed, and how do we get there?
Auburn: Dr Kathleen Hale & Dr Mitchell Brown
CO Clerks Association: Lori Mitchell
Elections Group: Jennifer Morrell
Brennan Center: Dan Weiner
R Street: Ryan Williamson
Saturday, April 29th

8:30-9am  Registration (Foyer 1 & 2)

9am-12pm  Course 9: History III 1965 to Present  Ballroom A
         Course 10: Constitutional Law of Elections  Ballroom B
         Course 15 (Renewal): Training in Elections: Reaching all Levels  Concorde

12-1:30 pm  Lunch  CERA/CERV students only (Boulevard Ballroom)

1:30-4:30 pm  Courses continued

Sunday, April 30th

8-11am  Courses continued