

**ASSOCIATION OF CARIBBEAN SOCIAL WORK EDUCATORS (ACSWE)
8TH BIENNIAL CARIBBEAN AND INTERNATIONAL
SOCIAL WORK EDUCATORS CONFERENCE**

***“EXPLORING SOLUTIONS FOR OUR TIME: RESEARCH, EDUCATION AND
INNOVATIVE PRACTICE.”***

FINAL CALL FOR PAPERS

Submissions are invited for the *8th Biennial Caribbean and International Social Work Educators Conference* to be held in *Port-of-Spain, Trinidad, West Indies, June 26-30, 2007 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel.*

This biennial conference, sponsored by the Association of Caribbean Social Work Educators (ACSWE), holds a distinctly prestigious position on the calendars of Social Work educators, researchers and practitioners in the Caribbean Community and its Diaspora. Since 1993, it has been hosted by Institutions that teach and conduct research on Social Work in the Caribbean. Previous conferences have been held in Barbados (1993), Guyana (1995), Trinidad and Tobago (1997), Jamaica (1999), The Bahamas (2001), Barbados (2003) and Jamaica (2005).

Theme

The theme for the 2007 Conference: **“Exploring Solutions For Our Time: Research, Education and Innovative Practice,”** seeks to bring specific focus to bear on the problems facing the peoples of the Caribbean and its Diaspora with view to shaping social work solutions, public policy and interventions. The conference will focus on the following thematic areas:

- Practice and Progress
- Innovations in Social Work Education
- Health and Wellness Promotion
- The Caribbean Diaspora and Diversity
- Disasters and Critical Incidents
- Capacity Building and Institutional Strengthening
- Monitoring and Evaluation: Focus on Outcomes

One day will be dedicated to *Exploring Interventions in Conflict Situations* and the themes are:

- Contemporary Practice Models and Application
- Culturally Appropriate Practices in Conflict Resolution
- Mediation for Caribbean Development

Submission of Abstracts

The Conference Committee invites submissions of abstracts from researchers, educators, practitioners and students whose work focuses on addressing social problems in the

Caribbean and its Diaspora. Both individual papers and entire panel proposals will be considered.

Format

Presentations may be in the form of papers, posters, panel discussions and workshops. Artistic presentations using film, music, oral and written forms of expression and drama are also encouraged.

Scholarly papers may be considered for publication in the Caribbean Journal of Social Work (CJSW) - a peer reviewed journal that has been published annually by the ACSWE since 2002. Authors wishing to have their papers reviewed for inclusion in the CJSW must submit completed papers by May 26, 2007.

Guidelines for Submissions

Abstracts should consist of no more than 500 words. Please attach a separate cover page consisting of:

- (1) Title of Paper
- (2) Format of presentation
- (3) Name
- (4) Full address
- (5) Telephone number
- (6) Fax number
- (7) e-mail address

NOTE: The abstract itself should not contain any identifying marks as to authorship.

Abstracts must be submitted by email in a Microsoft Word attachment to: acswe07@fss.uwi.tt with "ACSWE abstract" in the subject line.

Website: <http://sta.uwi.edu/conferences/acswe07/index.asp>

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Deadline for Submission

Abstracts should be received by January 31st 2007

Review and Notification Process

The Abstract Committee will review all submissions and persons will be notified by March 31, 2007 of the outcome.