



NLPES Professional Development Seminar

Our annual NLPES seminar offers professional development opportunities for program evaluators and performance auditors of all skill levels. Participate in informative presentations and engage in roundtable discussions with colleagues working on similar issues. Learn new approaches, share ideas, and network with your peers from other states.

Seminar Highlights

Legislative audit and evaluation offices operate in a diverse environment, providing objective analysis and conclusions in many different subject areas. In carrying out our activities, we also must be strategic in our use of resources, remain focused in our project scopes, and ensure our message is heard. We are planning the seminar program to cover a wide range of topics:

- State Employee Benefits
- Higher Education
- Motor Vehicles
- Taxation
- Labor and Workforce
- Environment
- Developing Findings and Report Messages
- Strategic Planning
- Medicaid
- Housing and Weatherization Assistance
- Corrections
- K-12 Education
- Child and Adult Services
- Evaluating Evaluators
- Cost-Benefit Analysis (*Pew Results First Initiative*)

Continuing Professional Education

Sessions may qualify for continuing professional education (CPE) credit. Attendance at all conference sessions will yield a total of 21 hours.

Materials will be available to document participants' attendance at seminar events. However, CPE credits must be awarded by seminar participants' own organizations. NCSL and NLPES are not registered with the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy's National Registry of CPE Sponsors.

Preliminary Agenda

Monday, September 19

8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.	Registration
8:00 a.m.-Noon	Plenary session "Cost-Benefit Analysis" <i>Pew Results First Initiative</i>
1:15 p.m.-3:00 p.m.	Concurrent Sessions
3:15 p.m.-5:00 p.m.	Concurrent Sessions
5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.	Joint Reception NLPES and NLSSA

Tuesday, September 20

8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.	Registration
8:00 a.m.-9:45 a.m.	Plenary Session
10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.	Concurrent Sessions
11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.	NLPES Luncheon
1:15 p.m.-3:00 p.m.	Concurrent Sessions
3:15 p.m.-5:00 p.m.	Concurrent Sessions

Wednesday, September 21

8:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.	Registration
8:00 a.m.-9:45 a.m.	Concurrent Sessions
10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.	Concurrent Sessions

During the evenings and after the seminar concludes, we encourage you to explore all that Denver has to offer. Lists of restaurants and other activities will be available at the registration table.

Registration Information

Four Ways to Register

- Online:
http://ecom.ncsl.org/public/registration/mtg_reg.htm
- Fax: 303.364.7811
- Mail: 7700 East First Place, Denver, CO 80230
- Onsite: Magnolia Hotel, Lower Level



NLPES Professional Development Seminar September 19-21, 2011 - The Magnolia Hotel Denver, Colorado

Name: _____

Title: _____

Organization: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Business Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Emergency Contact: _____

Emergency Phone Number: _____

Seminar Registration Fee

<input type="checkbox"/> Legislator/Legislative Staff	\$350
<input type="checkbox"/> Other Government or Nonprofit	\$350
<input type="checkbox"/> Guest	\$100

Payment Options

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Signature: _____

Mail or fax form by September 6, 2011 to:

NCSL Registration/Accounting
7700 East First Place | Denver, CO 80230
Fax: 303.364.7811

Cancellation/Refund Policy

All cancellations must be made in writing by fax (303.364.7811) or e-mail (registration@ncsl.org) no later than **September 16, 2011**. Cancellations received by this date will be refunded, minus a \$50 processing fee. Fees cannot be refunded for registrations cancelled after the seminar begins. **No onsite cancellations will be permitted.**

Please complete your pre-registration by **September 6, 2011**, to facilitate program planning. If you are unable to meet the pre-registration deadline, you may register onsite. Registration fees are payable to NCSL. Confirmations and badges will not be mailed prior to the seminar; all badges are to be picked up on site at registration.

Special Needs

We want to ensure full participation and accessibility for all meeting attendees. Please call 303.364.7700 or e-mail events@ncsl.org to notify NCSL meetings staff of any special accommodations or dietary restrictions.

Hotel Reservations

A block of rooms has been reserved for seminar attendees at:

The Magnolia Hotel Denver
818 17th Street
Denver, CO 80202
888.915.1110
www.lasalle-hotel.com/denver.aspx



Located in the heart of Downtown Denver's business district, the Magnolia Hotel is close to the 16th Street pedestrian mall, dining, shopping, nightlife, and sports and entertainment venues. The hotel offers comfort, personality and style. Guest amenities include free high-speed wireless Internet; 24-hour fitness center; and complimentary hot breakfast buffet.

Please make your hotel reservations directly with the hotel by calling toll-free, 888.915.1110. Indicate that you are attending the "NCSL Fall Conference" to receive a room rate of \$141 single/double, plus tax, per night. Reservations must be held by credit card. The deadline for making hotel reservations is **August 19, 2011**, or until sold out, whichever comes first. After that date, reservations will be accepted at the seminar rate based on room availability.

Air Travel

Denver International Airport (DIA) is serviced by all major airlines that provide daily nonstop service from more than 140 U.S. cities. For flight arrangements, we invite you to use Christopherson Travel, the official travel agency of NCSL (800.825.3283 or 303.694.4344 from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. MDT). Airline reservations should be made at least seven days in advance. Christopherson Travel maintains a 24-hour toll-free line for changes and emergencies.

Ground Transportation

Denver International Airport is located 24 miles northeast of downtown Denver. The hotel does not provide airport shuttle service; however, a number of ground transportation options are available, including commuter shuttles, taxis, limousines, and public transportation. For more information on DIA ground transportation, visit www.flydenver.com/parkingt.

Once you are in the downtown area, great restaurants, shopping and entertainment venues are within walking distance of the hotel or via the free 16th Street Mall shuttle. Visitors can also explore the city by bicycle through Denver's bike sharing program, www.denver.bicycle.com. Rental cars also are available at DIA for those who want to explore some of Colorado's other locations, such as Boulder, Colorado Springs and, of course, the mountains!

Attire

Business casual attire is appropriate for all seminar events. September weather in Denver is typically mild with warm days (average daytime highs in the mid-70s) and cool, crisp evenings (average overnight lows in the mid-40s). Dressing in several layers of medium-weight clothing (e.g., shirt, sweater, or jacket) will allow adjustment for maximum comfort.

More Information and Questions

Visit NCSL's meeting page:
www.ncsl.org/default.aspx?TabId=20238

Contact Registration:
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