



**POSTER PRESENTATION PROPOSAL FORM**

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**Proposals are due by Friday, October 30, 2009 and may only be submitted via email.**

SESSION INFORMATION	
<b>POSTER PRESENTATION TITLE:</b> <i>(The presentation title should simply be a one-line heading for your poster session.)</i>	Texas Silver-Haired Legislature: Engaging Volunteers to Make a Difference
<b>PRIMARY PRESENTER NAME:</b> <i>(Individual who develops poster session, creates poster and associated materials, and attends the session.)</i>	Sandra A. Graham, PhD
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<i>(Attach a brief, maximum one-page, biography or vita for this presenter.)</i>	See attached biography
<b>POSTER PRESENTATION DESCRIPTION:</b> <i>(Please write a concise, action oriented description that provides important facts and generates excitement about the poster session. Focus on your primary session objective and let potential participants know what you expect will happen as a result of the session. Please limit your description to 150 words. Include in the description, what you want participants to learn and the relevance of the poster session to the field of aging. This description will be the basis of text used in promotional materials.)</i>	As the population ages, Texas is facing tremendous growth in those living beyond age 60. By 2040, almost 18% of the population will be older than age 65. Many older Texans are leaving the workforce and taking with them their experience, vitality and productivity. Volunteerism is becoming the second workforce and a way to reintroduce the wisdom of age back into society. The Texas Silver-Haired Legislature (TSHL) serves as a statewide volunteer organization that allows older Texans to educate themselves on issues important to older Texans, and present them to the Texas Legislature as they plan and implement legislation for aging well in Texas. For example, the impact of TSHL can be seen in the enactment of Fall Prevention Week, the passage of the Silver Alert, and the establishment of the Texas Legislative Committee on Aging, as well as TSHL Online Academy. Volunteering to advocate for aging issues to the State Legislature is an opportunity. Learn how to become involved and make a difference.



The need for Special Accommodations will be respected. Please note what considerations you will require:

None
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