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For Training Organizers

I love to present and welcome opportunities to talk about issues of concern to clinicians, representatives of the legal system, and anyone else interested in building healthier lives and safer communities.

The guiding principle for workshop organization: I am not a podium presenter! It's best to have space for me to stand, walk, and sit. I use videos and sound. If needed, I can stand at a podium, but strongly suggest adding some options.

To that end, here is a checklist of things I've found make for the best experience:

- Lots of electricity: Meaning power from the wall to a port that can handle a laptop, LCD projector, external speakers, and have room for an additional couple of power adaptors
- LCD Projector with VGA and/or HDMI
- Projection screen
- Lapel mic for larger rooms
- 1-2 bar stools (the guiding value is to be able to sit and maintain eye contact with the audience, as well as provide clinical demonstrations)
- Speakers for laptop in order to play videos and music. This can be via the HDMI cabling or a 1/8th inch laptop plug
- Palette and markers (optional in most cases)

Other considerations

Food and Beverage: Obviously, whatever is provided to audiences is the organizer's call. My experience is that people enjoy the experience most when there are coffee and snacks provided.

Depending on circumstances, it is sometimes the case that the organizers try to get together with speakers for dinner during the days that the event takes place. I am always happy to participate, but try to do so early (6PM) so that I can be well-rested the next morning (I am at my best when I can exercise prior to presenting).

I hope this information is useful, and please don't hesitate to contact me about possibilities.

Thanks,

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