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**Sent:** Tuesday, March 18, 2025 5:21 PM  
**To:** Steve Berlin <Steve.Berlin@cityofchicago.org>  
**Subject:** Re: symposium invitation to present DCASE's arts and health program

Hello Steve,

I recently participated in the **Societal Experts Action Network (SEAN) annual Symposium** about DCASE's work on Healing Arts Chicago as an example of a cross-sector public health response to COVID-19 (**Nov 14-15, 2024 in Washington DC**).

Airfare, hotel, ground transport, and per diem were covered by the local conveners. Program documentation including the agenda and other program meeting materials shared during the event are linked below:

- [SEAN Fall 2024 Symposium: Learning from COVID-19 to Build Resilient Communities](#) (November 2024)

Please let me know if you need anything else.

Best

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**To:** Steve Berlin <[Steve.Berlin@cityofchicago.org](mailto:Steve.Berlin@cityofchicago.org)>  
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Hello Steve,

I was recently invited to present at the **Societal Experts Action Network (SEAN) annual Symposium** about DCASE's work on Healing Arts Chicago as an example of a cross-sector public health response to COVID-19 (**Nov 14-15 in Washington DC**)

I have received approval from Commissioner Hedspeth to attend. My department is currently preparing a travel request for submission. My HR representative, Lisa Lorick, said I should notify you to double check ethics on this matter. I've attached a copy of the invite and summary info on the symposium. Please let me know if you need anything else from me.

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