Discover new ideas at our convention workshops. Branches with multiple attendees are encouraged to split the workshops among their members to allow branches to gain more information. Non-delegates are welcome to attend and participate in workshops. Some workshops are repeated to accommodate the number of delegates and members in attendance.

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**Descriptions**

**Expansion – “Growing the ICF” – Presented by: The Expansion Committee**
Five new branches opened in 2015-2016! What does it take to open a new ICF Branch? In this workshop, you will learn how to determine a location, the 7 step process to open a branch and how you can help.

**Membership – “Resources for Retention” – Presented by: The Membership Committee**
Learn about the new “Amici de Coure” program and other activities designed to keep members active and involved. A brief presentation will be followed by a time to share ideas. Membership retention is one of the key goals of the new strategic plan.

**National Charity – “Thalassemia 101” – Presented by: Dr. Thomas Coates & Laurice Levine, Outreach Coordinator**
Enhance your knowledge about the ICF’s National Charity, Thalassemia, also known as Cooley’s Anemia. See how your fundraising efforts and hard work have changed the lives of countless people living with this condition.

Gain further insight on the role of our officers and committee chairpersons. How do we develop and scout out new leaders? What takes place at an officers’ meeting? Can positions be combined? These questions, plus yours, will be answered.

**Open Forum/Strategic Plan – “Focused on our Future” – Presented by: The Task Force Committee**
This open forum will focus on the 2017-2020 ICF Strategic Plan adopted by the Central Council in June. A brief and informative presentation of the new Strategic Plan will be followed by a general question and answer session.

**Public Relations – “Resources for PR” – Presented by: The PR Committee**
Get suggestions to increase or start your branch’s public relations efforts, learn to navigate the ICF website and discover how to receive commissions on Bollettino advertising.

**Spiritual – “Treasuring the Gift of Faith” – Presented by: Reverend Mister Mario Rizzo, Transitional Deacon, Oakland Diocese**
As members of the ICF, we celebrate our Catholic culture and are encouraged to invite others to share in our traditions. How can we create opportunities to bring others, especially our younger generations, closer to their faith?

**Deputies – “Meet the Mentor Program” – Presented by The Deputy Program Committee**
This workshop is designed for District Presidents and District and Branch Deputies to learn about the changes to the Deputy Program. Learn about the new name change to “Mentor Program,” the new reporting forms, and the training for this year. There will also be time for Q&A, open discussion and sharing.