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Connecting, Reconnecting at Convention

by *Dinelia Rosa, PhD*



tion this past August. In addition to the solid programs, connecting and re-connecting is one of the most rewarding components of our annual gathering.

Dear Col-
leagues

It was nice
to see so
many col-
leagues
and
friends at
conven-

This year, as is our tradition, we invited the APA president candidates to answer specific questions of interest to our Division. See below

- Are you a member of the psychological association of your state, province, or territory?
- What offices or positions have you held in your SPTA, and when?
- Describe your activities and accomplishments at the local/

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Cast 10 for Your State on the APA Apportionment Ballot

When your apportionment ballot arrives from APA Division 31 strongly urges its members to cast all ten votes for your State Association and to contact your colleagues and tell them to do the same. This gives your state and all states a strong voice in the governance of APA. This determines how many votes the states have in the APA Council of Representatives and we need to increase our voice.....we need your votes!

Welcome New Division 31 Fellows!!

Congratulations to our newest awardees:

- Dr. Robert B. Cox
- Dr. Ellen Williams

Members of Division 31 are formally invited to apply for fellowship in Division 31. Fellow status is awarded, in part, on the basis of evaluated evidence of outstanding contribution in the field of psychology. Fellow status requires that a person's work has had a national impact on the field of psychology beyond local, state, and regional levels. This is truly an honor and the Division encourages you to make application and become one of our next awardees.

Div. 31 Endorsed APA Presidential Candidate Statements



Jessica Henderson Daniel, PhD, ABPP

1. Are you a member of the psychological association of your state, province, or territory?

YES. Massachusetts Psych Association 1985-present.

2. What offices or positions have you held in your SPTA, and when?

Member, Board of Directors 1994-1997; Co-Chair, New Psychologists Initiative 1995-1997; COR Representative 1997 and 1998-2004

3. Describe your activities and accomplishments at the local /SPTA level which have strengthened your SPTA.

Activities at the local /SPTA level—I co-chaired the New Psy-

chologist Initiative, the first one in the country. The forerunner of the Early Career Program, it was a successful program with many activities including all-day information conferences and social events to facilitate networking to assist members to find employment.

I also worked with the Ethnic Minority Group to recruit and retain a diverse membership.

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Rodney L. Lowman, PhD

1. Are you a member of the psychological association of your state, province, or

territory?

California Psychological Association, current; Texas Psychological Association, former member; and Louisiana Psychological Association, former member.

2. What offices or positions have you held in your SPTA, and when?

None. However, I was the founding President of the Dallas Ft. Worth Organizational Psychology Group, board member of the Houston Area Industrial-Organizational Psychology Group. Both were regional, not state associations. I served as Chair of Professional Affairs for a major APA division and have published widely on professional practice issues throughout my career.

3. Describe your activities and accomplishments at the local/SPTA level which have strengthened your SPTA.

While living in Texas as a full-time practitioner (in clinical and consulting/I-O psychology) with my own firm I worked with the Texas Psychological Association and the legislature to get the legislature to revise a pernicious act that had been passed requiring all in the state who did career assessment and counseling to be licensed other a new business law that had been passed by the legislature without an exemption for licensed psychologists. We assembled a group from the Texas Psychological Association, affected psychologists, legislators, and other interested parties for a hearing in Houston on this work. With considerable effort the law was subsequently amended by act of the legislature. In California, I have been involved with the state licensure board concerning appropriate internship experiences from those seeking licensure who are in consulting and organizational psychology roles. I have also presented

at some of the annual meetings of the Texas Psychological Association, the Louisiana Psychological Association, and the California Psychological Association.

4. Describe your activities on the national/APA level which have strengthened or benefited SPTAs.

As the elected inaugural chair of APA's new Council Leadership Team I attended all of the meetings of the APA Board which included meetings of the APAPO Board. It became clear to me that the strategic plan for the APAPO was not working with shrinking dollars being available to the APAPO from the practice assessment and the EdAT. I also was involved in raising issues of how to turnaround the current difficulties of the APAPO.

As member and chair of the Board of Professional Affairs earlier in my career I was involved in a number of issues related to the practice of professional psychology. I was actively involved in helping to create the Record Keeping Guidelines and the Guidelines on Guide-

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Call for Division 31 Award Nominations!

Nominations are invited for Division 31 Annual Awards to be presented at the 2017 State Leadership Conference.

Please visit the website for award descriptions at: <http://www.apadivisions.org/division-31/awards/index.aspx>

- State, Provincial and Territorial Psychological Association (SPTA) Diversity Award
- SPTA Staff Member of the Year
- SPTA Early Career Psychologist Program of the Year

- Outstanding STPA of the Year
- Nominations and supporting materials should be sent to Division 31 Awards Chair: Cathy McDaniels-Wilson, PhD at mcdanielswilson@yahoo.com by December 31, 2016

ShoPTalk and Diversity Updates Cover State Activities



**By
Jennifer
Kelly, PhD**

Arkansas

ArPA is busy on many fronts this year with several new initiatives as well as the usual active committee work. The twice yearly newsletter is now supplemented with more frequent communications through the blog and other social media outlets. The Diversity Committee, co-chaired by Dr. Khiela Holmes and Dr. Nick Rios, is holding frequent social or lecture events that reach many non ArPA members. The ARPA website is “under construction” and moving to a new association management platform with improved features such as mobile friendly viewing, easy online commerce, better graphic design features and integrations to ArPA social media platforms. A lobbyist was retained to work with the hard working Legislative Committee, chaired by Dr. Tisha Dean. The committee has been working without a lobbyist for a number of years. Funds were raised by Executive Director Anne Fuller who held a successful

fundraiser and took pledges to get the ball rolling. The PDC, chaired by Dr. Betty Everett, planned the fall convention in conjunction with a university in the state and will be reaching out to students with opportunities such as the poster contest and social events. The Association is exploring new models of membership with an eye on engaging students and Early Career as well as historically nonmember psychologists in the state.

Illinois

The Illinois Psychological Association is in the final phase of implementation of its prescriptive authority legislation. The first draft of the Rules has been released by the Governor and will be posted for comment. Dr. Beth Rom-Rymer is working with an IPA attorney who is dedicated specifically to ensuring that these Rules best meet the intent of the law and provide appropriate services to those needing mental health medications. A number of psychologists in Illinois have begun their RxP training in anticipation of the approval of these Rules and psychologists from other states have indicated their intention to move here to become prescribers.

Maine

The Maine Psychological Association has been ramping up our communications arena this year with a newly designed, more user friendly website to provide more easily accessible information both for psychologists and the public. We have also reformatted our newsletter to be on-line only and with shorter, more timely articles. The Public Education Committee has taken advantage of APA generated materials to disseminate information on topics such as coping with violence and stress to media outlets in Maine. Our Early Career Psychology Committee has been reaching out to new licensees via social activities such as “Psychologist Night” at Portland’s semi-pro hockey team game and a networking night at a Portland restaurant. On a more serious note, we have also been monitoring and advocating for psychology amidst administrative proposals to reduce Medicaid funding to psychologists and other mental health venues, with dozens of Maine psychologists providing written testimony in opposition.

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WANTED - Division 31 Fellows!

What's that you say? You've heard about this thing called Fellow of APA and wonder what that's all about? MARVELOUS!!!

Are you a member of your State, Provincial or Territorial Psychological Association (SPTPA)? Are you a member for Division 31? Do you believe that you have made unusual and outstanding contributions in one or more of the following areas: development of exemplary programs; leadership in organized psychology; publication or dissemination of information; and national

policy development or political action? If so, are you also considering becoming a Fellow of Division 31? You can find the Division 31 specific criteria at: <http://www.apadivisions.org/division-31/membership/fellows/index.aspx>

What do you need?

- 1) A completed Fellow Application;
- 2) A statement of your accomplishments;
- 3) A copy of your updated Vita; and
- 4) Support letters from three

Fellows, two of whom are Fellows of Division 31.

The process has been streamlined now that the application is available and completed online. Please visit the Fellows page at <http://www.apa.org/membership/fellows/index.aspx> for more information on the process.

The Division deadline for completing the application for this cycle is November 30th 2016. Please contact the Division Fellows Chair, Donald McAleer Psy.D., ABPP (donpsyd@aol.com) with any questions.

A Fundamental Concern for Others



**By Pat DeLeon, PhD, ABPP
Former APA President**

Our 124th Annual Convention: This year's APA convention in Denver was very pleasant. The Karl F. Heiser Awards Ceremony, chaired by APA President Susan McDaniel and the Division's Tom DeMaio, was particularly moving. The Iowa Psychological Association's prescriptive authority success was highlighted; with Bethe Lonning, Brenda Payne, and Greg Febbarro (posthumously) being honored. Most State Psychological Associations assume that to enact such far-reaching legislation over the vocal objections of organized psychiatry is a very expensive undertaking. It did take Iowa a decade; however, Bethe indicated that since 2011 they had only needed to

raise \$3,535.50. The key to their success was grassroots campaigning and sincerely believing that what they were proposing was important for the citizens of Iowa. It was refreshing that the Board of Directors, under the leadership of Susan and Interim CEO Cynthia Belar, were responsive to engaging society's "issues of the day." Those supportive of the Black Lives Matter movement had a distinctive presence at the convention and representatives of the Board and Council (Tony Puente and Jennifer Kelly) went out and greeted those marching to show support. The Board also hosted a meeting of leaders in the police and public safety community to discuss how organized psychology can best help. We would suggest that our State Psychological Associations should initiate similar involvement at the local level since psychological science can contribute in solving societal problems.

Effectively Addressing National and Local Needs: The Health

Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) reports that mental health disorders rank in the top five chronic illnesses in the nation. An estimated 25% of adults currently suffer from mental illness and nearly half of all adults will develop at least one mental illness in their lifetime. In 2007, over 80% of those seen in the emergency room (ER) had mental disorders diagnosed as mood, anxiety and alcohol related disorders. The need for integrated care should come to mind.

In Hawaii, Dina Shek, working collaboratively with her colleagues in the William S. Richardson School of Law, has actively engaged students from the various health professional programs (including law) in obtaining clinical experiences within two of the state's federally qualified community health centers (FQHCs). She is now exploring developing a mental health-focused Medical-Legal Partnership

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Council of Representatives Report



**By Lisa Grossman, JD, PhD
Div. 31 APA Council Representative**

*August 3 & 5, 2016
Denver, Colorado*

For the first time that I can recall, Council requested that the agenda order change so that the business of Council could take precedence over reports, demonstrations, citation presentations, etc. This became one of the themes throughout these August Council meetings. In this spirit, my report will not reflect the order of our agenda but rather the “Business of Council” first, before reporting other “Council Business.”

As a reminder, Council is nearing the end of its trial delegation whereby it addresses policies and issues that affect the discipline of psychology whereas the Board of Directors controls the policies that affect the internal organization of APA. At the end of this trial period, Council will vote whether to make this a permanent delegation of responsibilities.

BUSINESS OF COUNCIL **CONSENT AGENDA**

As has become the norm in recent years, there are almost as many items on the consent agenda as on the action item agenda. This means that COR does not discuss the consent items at all. Of course any COR member can take an item off the agenda and this does occur at times. This shift to consent items is interesting to me because in times past, Resolutions or Guidelines would rarely be on consent agendas. On the contrary, vigorous discussions

would occur as to the language and implications of these documents to our profession. Nevertheless, items approved by COR with no discussion are as follows:

1. Election of Fellows

We received the lengthy list a day prior to our meeting which is far better than when we were asked a few years ago to consent to the list without having ever seen it! A special shout out to our own Dr. Ellen Williams who was approved as a Fellow of Division 31. Well deserved, Ellen!!

2. Amendment to Association Rule 120-5.1: Teachers of Psychology in Secondary Schools

Council approved amending Association Rule 120.5 to extend the member-at-large terms on the Committee of Teachers in Secondary Schools, from two-years to three-year terms.

3. Renewal of Recognition of Forensic Psychology as a Specialty in Professional Psychology

Council approved the continued recognition of Forensic Psychology as a specialty in professional psychology.

4. Extension of Recognition of Family Psychology as a Specialty in Professional Psychology

Council approved a one-year extension of recognition of Family Psychology as a specialty in professional psychology.

5. Extension of Recognition of Treatment of Alcohol and Other Psychoactive Substance Use Disorders as a Proficiency in Professional Psychology

Council approved a one-year extension of Recognition of Alcohol and Other Psychoactive Substance Use Disorders as a Proficiency in

professional psychology.

6. Guidelines for Integrating the Role of Work and Career into Professional Psychology Practice

Council adopted as APA policy the Guidelines for Integrating the Role of Work and Career into Professional Psychology Practice and approved August 2023 as the expiration date for the Guidelines.

These Guidelines have been developed to provide psychologists with: (a) the rationale and need for addressing vocational behavior and the meaning of work in professional practice, (b) an introduction to the major issues in understanding vocational behavior and development and the world of work, and (c) specific recommendations for working effectively with work and career issues as they interface with multiple aspects of human behavior and functioning. The Guidelines are written specifically for psychologists working with clients or patients and provide guidance for clinical interventions related to work and career. These Guidelines are not intended to provide directions for interventions with organizations and industries but rather focus on aspects of working with individuals.

7. Resolution on Maltreatment of Children with Disabilities

Council adopted as APA policy the Resolution on the Maltreatment of Children with Disabilities and archived the 2003 version of the Resolution on the Maltreatment of Children with Disabilities.

8. Resolution on the Free and Responsible Practice of Science, Freedom of Movement Scientists and

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2016 Karl F. Heiser Presidential Awards for Advocacy

- Kevin Arnold, Ph.D.
Ohio
- Elizabeth A. Lonning, Psy.D.
Iowa
- Brenda J. Payne, Ph.D.
Iowa
- Elizabeth Campbell, Ph.D.
Florida
- Chris Morrison, Ph.D.
New York
- Dinelia Rosa, Ph.D.
New York
- Gregorio Febbraro, Ph.D.
Iowa

ECP Spotlight on Laura Dewey



***Le Onda
Clark
Harvey,
PhD
Co-Chair
of the APA
Committee
on ECPs***

Our recent APA Convention in Denver was full of activity, and as the SPTA Representative for the APA's Committee on Early Career Psychologists, I was thrilled to attend and participate in programs specifically designed to address the needs of ECPs. I was honored to work alongside former Chair of the ECP Taskforce, Lindsey Buckman, and the incoming Taskforce Chair, Jennifer Doran, and present a poster which highlighted the work of Division 31's ECP Taskforce.

One way that Division 31 has shown its support of ECPs within SPTAs is to highlight an ECP member in each of its newsletters. This quarter, we highlight Laura Dewey, a former ECP Delegate at the 2015 State Leadership Conference, and member of the Delaware Psychological Association. Laura reports:

"The Delaware Psychological Association (DPA) has recognized the need for increased Early Career Psychologist involvement within the organization in order to broaden its perspective and effectively advocate for psychologist's needs at the state and federal level. 2016 is the first year that an ECP position was established by the Executive Council, and it prompted my ability to attend the State Leadership Conference. Increasing engagement of ECPs in psychology organizations was a strong theme of interest, and DPA has been receptive to several initiatives with this goal.

"First, the Executive Council proposed an amendment to the constitution creating a new membership category for ECPs in order to allow gradual transition from student to full member with reduced dues over three years. After a vote from members, this amendment was adopted. Second, DPA updated its constitution to ensure that there is a sub-committee of the Membership Committee for ECPs to ensure that ECPs perspectives have a direct avenue to the Executive Council. Finally, a needs-based assessment of ECPs within DPA is

in progress to better understand how to support and advance issues of relevance to ECPs.

"In addition to these systemic changes within DPA, there has been increased interest in overall ECP engagement. We have brainstormed ways to use social media and grassroots outreach efforts to demonstrate DPA's value to ECPs; for example, having a current ECP reach out to new ECP members to ensure direct connection to DPA, highlight unique benefits of DPA membership for ECPs, and understand current needs. Future goals include completing the needs assessment, building the membership sub-committee of ECPs, and establishing ongoing connection via social media."

Many thanks to Laura for sharing the exciting work that is happening with the DPA! This SPTA is clearly working hard to recognize the importance of including ECPs in its leadership structure and recruit ECPs to its chapter.



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[Division 31 web site](#)
for current information for SPTAs and blogs
for a variety of communities.

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SPTA level which have strengthened your SPTA.

- Describe your activities on the national/APA level which have strengthened or benefited SPTAs?
- What do you perceive as being the issues of greatest concern to the SPTAs, as organizations?
- What do you perceive as being issues of greatest concern to members of SPTAs?
- If elected to the APA Presidency, what would you do to address these issues?

We thank the candidates for participating and helping us make a careful decision. More details to follow in this newsletter.

Our APA Convention program was a success. We thank Dr. Aaron Harris for coordinating our program this year. The same is to be said of the 2016 Karl F. Heiser Award Ceremony, for whom we thank Dr. Tom DeMaio, Chair of the Heiser Award. Our Social

Hour was no less exciting with the recognition of Iowa, Arizona, Colorado, Psychologist of the Year and the first Rural Psychologist Award. Enjoy the pictures included in this newsletter.

One issue that has been brought to the attention of our Division is the EPPP2, or the creation of a second licensing exam for psychologists. Division 31 has not taken a formal position on the issue at this time. However, we are committed to disseminating information among our SPTAs that will further the knowledge associated with this measure. We would also share the different perspectives including ASPPB, APAGS, CECF and others to assist our members and SPTAs in making their own decisions. Our division's ECP Task Force has been charged with leading this initiative. Recently, its Chair, Dr. Jennifer Doran shared very useful information and helpful resources about the EPPP2 in our list serve to start the conversation. She will be sharing more information soon.

Once again, I share a reminder

to consider joining the APA Practice Organization. Our SPTAs are constantly faced with a need to push for legislation that would improve the services of psychology in their respective States. APAPO is the organization that is best fit to do this for psychology. SPTAs would benefit from strengthening their relationship with APAPO as another opportunity to further their respective legislative agendas. We all must benefit from the resources and expertise available in the Practice Organization. SPTA leaders and members becoming leaders should consider it a key element for the enhancement and effectiveness of their endeavors.

Division 31 continues to seek new leaders for our division. We are a friendly bunch! This was told to me once and I am passing it on. Check our website at <http://www.apadivisions.org/division-31/> and find out about our task force groups and committees. Let us know of your interest to collaborate with us. We welcome new leadership!

Respectfully submitted,
President Dinelia Rosa

Division 31 Takes the APA Convention by Storm



Above left: Dr. Lisa Grossman (left) receives an award from Div. 31 President Dr. Dinelia Rosa.

Above: From left, Div. 31 Executive Director Dr. Connie Paul, Drs. Lisa Grossman, Tom DeMaio, Dinelia Rosa, Bruce Nystrom, Linda Knauss, Cynthia Sturm, Peter Oppenheimer, and Lindsey Buckman, honor Dr. Bethe Lonning with the Psychologist of the Year Award. Others shown represent the Division 31 Board.



Left: Dr. Rosa presents Dr. Bethe Lonning with the Psychologist of the Year Award for the successful passage of RxP legislation in Iowa.

Below left: Drs. Rosa, DeMaio and Michael Ranney present Dr. Kevin Arnold with the Heiser Award.

Below: Division 31 celebrates the Heiser Award winners.



Division 31 Takes the APA Convention by Storm



Above: Dr. Rosa recognizes two representatives of the Colorado Psychological Association for being convention hosts.

Above right: Drs. Lindsey Buckman and Le Ondra Clark Harvey represent Division 31 at the CECF Leadership Opportunities for ECPs in Divisions poster session.

Right: Dr. Emily Selby-Nelson presents the Rural Health Award to West Virginia's Dr. James Werth, assisted by Drs. Bryant Smalley and Rosa.

Below: Drs. McDaniel, Rosa, Demaio celebrate the 2016 Heiser Award winners.

Below right: Dr. Rosa recognizes Dr. Bohanske from the Arizona Board of Psychologist Examiners for passing PsyPact legislation in Arizona.



Division 31 Takes the APA Convention by Storm



Left: Dr. Bethe Lonning (center) receives the Heiser Award from Dr. Rosa and APA President Dr. Susan McDaniel.



Right: Dr. Chris Morrison (center) receives the Heiser Award from Drs. Rosa and McDaniel.



Left: Dr. Brenda Payne (center) receives the Heiser Award from Drs. Rosa and McDaniel.



Right: Dr. Elizabeth Campbell (center) receives the Heiser Award from Drs. Rosa and McDaniel.

Lowman Statement

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lines as well as helping to promote the idea that the professional practice of psychology covers a wide range of activities and we need to be responsive to all of them.

I have also served as a strategic planning consultant to the ASPPB and have been involved in national/international (ASPPB) and state (California) licensing exam writing efforts.

5. What do you perceive as being the issues of greatest concern to SPTAs, as organizations?

The SPTAs play an important role in dealing with legislative issues that arise affecting the practice of psychology. These are often national issues often get played out (and must be addressed) at the local level. Examples include the definition of Medicare physician to include psychologists and the state-specific issues on coverage under Medicare and other Federal programs. Yet the amount of money that many jurisdictions—especially small ones—can raise for lobbying and influence on important issues affecting psychology is limited. They look to the APAPO and to other SPTA organizations for assistance but often still come up short. Protecting psychological practice from the encroachment of other licensed professional groups remains a critical issue in many jurisdictions. Expanding psychological practice to include (for appropriately trained professionals) prescription privileges is also important in some states. Assuring appropriate reimbursement rates and not being frozen or manipulated out of managed care-led systems is also an ongoing concern. These are 501C6

issues, not 501C3 but there is also overlap. We need the APAPO to be as robust an organization to promote, protect, and defend practice issues as the APA is for issues related to its mission.

6. What do you perceive as being issues of greatest concern to members of SPTAs?

Psychology practitioners face difficult times in some jurisdictions. Their incomes have too often been declining as other service providers have encroached on their areas of practice and as they have worked with managed care organizations too often intent on limiting payments to providers and insurance companies too often slow to pay their bills. Too much of their time being directed to activities that are administrative rather than service delivery. Less experienced practitioners struggle to repay their educational loans. And too often it is difficult to keep up with the new and emerging literature in their specific areas of practice.

7. If elected to the APA Presidency, what would you do to address these issues?

A. Currently, election to the APA presidency also includes election to the APAPO presidency. It seems to me the major need for SPTA-related practice activities is to help the APAPO become more financially viable, including the development of a new strategic plan.

B. The scope of practice of psychology must continue to expand both in the area of prescription privileges and in other areas of practice. Protecting our fields of practice from encroachment by other disciplines necessitates a continuously increasing knowledge base as well as political savvy. All of

these issues need steady attention both from the APA (as related to the 501C3) and the APAPO (as related to the 501C6).

C. To assure that the practice of psychology can survive and thrive over the long run it will be necessary to expand the range of services that psychologists are qualified to deliver. Curricula would do well to broaden the skill sets that clinical/counseling and health care psychologists come out of graduate school knowing.

D. I believe we need to focus more on virtual delivery of services and to take on all the many complex issues of practice and regulation this type of service delivery open up. With advances in technology we will soon be able to deliver “face-to-face” services with clients all over the world. We must advance that agenda.

E. We need to continue to lobby to tweak the Affordable Care Act so that it is able to last over the long run and to persist in efforts to have psychology be a full partner in integrated care.

F. We need greater training to help persons with serious mental illness and their families.

G. We need more training in leadership and consultative roles since practitioners increasingly find themselves involved in such activities.

H. We need to help practitioners be able to deal with health, well-being, and high functioning in a way that is financially viable. Too often our training and systems are more focused on illness rather than health, well-being, and prevention.

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8. *Please add any comments you'd like which are not elicited above that address the affairs of state, provincial, and territorial psychological associations.*

Throughout most of my career I've served in leadership roles in both professional associations, in academia, and in the not-for-profit and for-profit arenas. As a leader and consultant my areas of specialization have been turn-arounds and start-ups. I believe

that both APA and the APAPO are in need of turn around and to work more effectively together.

Although the APAPO has fallen on hard financial times, the APA has been troubled by the issues associated with the Independent Review Report. Yet, from crises often come opportunities to re-think what we are doing and to try other approaches. RE: APAPO, we must add value to give psychologists reasons to pay the special assessment. These include the requirement that only licensed

psychologists can participate (since in areas of practice other than mental health/health there are needs but many of those individuals are not necessarily licensed) and whether one has to be the APA to be a member of the APAPO. And finally we must educate the younger generation of practicing psychologists on the needs and benefits to them to be part of the APAPO and the SPTAs.

Thanks for the opportunity to address these questions. My positions are further elaborated on www.rodneylowman.com.

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Minnesota

On August 12, 2016, the Minnesota Psychological Association hosted the 2016 President's Conference: Minnesota Summit on Psychology Practice Innovation and Integration. The conference, organized by MPA President Dr. Robin McLeod, featured 14 speakers/panelists from across the state of Minnesota who shared their experiences, insights and predictions about where the practice of psychology is headed in our state. Modeled after the APAPO Multi-State Summits, the panelists provided valuable insights on starting, joining or participating in exciting alternative practice models. Topics included: the significant role psychologists can and must play when collaborating with medical professionals to improve patient outcomes, reduce health care costs, and increase patient satisfaction; an overview of viable alternative practice models;

risk management and legal issues to consider when transitioning to alternative practice models and integrated care settings; working with third party payers to foster integration and how psychologists and physicians can communicate and collaborate more effectively. The conference was attended by close to 70 psychologists and received many positive comments on the evaluations that were submitted.

North Carolina

The North Carolina Psychological Foundation is pleased to announce the creation of the Barbara H. Wasik Student Travel Grant award thanks to the generosity of NCPA Past President Dr. Barbara Hanna Wasik. Dr. Wasik has given a substantial contribution to the Foundation. An award of \$500 will be given yearly to a graduate student who is presenting at a national conference. This award is in addition to the Foundation's regular Student Travel Grant awards

- \$250 given four times a year at a minimum to graduate students to go toward expenses for presenting at a national conference.

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APA International Engagement Council adopted as APA policy the Resolution on the Free and Responsible Practice of Science, Freedom of Movement of Scientists, and APA International Engagement which endorses principles stated in the statutes of the International Council for Science (ICSU) and the International Union of Psychological Science (IUPsyS) supporting the development of a global scientific community based on equity and non-discrimination. The reason for APA endorsement of this policy is to provide a benchmark for APA's engagement with psychology organizations outside of the U.S. Currently APA engages with organizations in a number of ways: through Memorandum of Understanding agreements whereby leaders of psychology organizations agree to hold regular discussions and joint activities; through grant programs whereby APA allocates funds to support international scientific meetings or the development of psychology organizations; and through other joint projects with psychology

organizations in other countries or psychology organizations with global reach. Generally, APA's Committee on International Relations in Psychology (CIRP) is charged with recommending international partners, grants, or recognition for approval by APA. In making these recommendations, CIRP attempts to ascertain that the relevant international organizations follow non-discriminatory practices in policies and practice and uphold high standards of science. For most organizations this is expressed in membership policies and criteria for ensuring the "free movement of scientists" in sponsored conferences and congresses. In the past, CIRP has followed the lead of global science organizations that have non-discrimination policies. The present resolution will explicitly recognize APA's endorsement of these non-discrimination policies.

CIRP believes that the resolution will serve to strongly convey to international partners that APA will engage only in activities that are congruent with international standards for non-discrimination and responsibilities of science with respect to society,

as expressed by international science bodies. These general principles are cogently stated by the International Council of Science (ICSU), the international "spokes body" for science around the world (its members are international scientific unions and countries, generally represented by their national academies of science). The ICSU statement was also (in 2012) adopted by the international voice for psychology, the International Union of Psychological Science.

It is important to note that this resolution pertains to the practices of organizations, not countries, and that enforcing this resolution is operationalized as APA's actions with respect to its choices of partner organizations. This distinction is important: APA's enforcement of this resolution pertains only to whether it engages formally with an organization and does not speak to the politics of the country in which that organization is housed.

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with the Hawaii Disability Rights Center. During the academic year 2014-2015, the HRSA Graduate Psychology Education (GPE) initiative supported clinical training at 340 partnered sites incorporating interdisciplinary team-based approaches, where approximately 1,900 students and advanced trainees from a variety of professions

trained alongside GPE-sponsored trainees. More than 210 faculty members participated in 42 GPE-sponsored faculty development activities focusing on a wide variety of emerging topics in mental and behavioral health. Approximately 22% of the GPE students reported coming from disadvantaged backgrounds and upon graduation 87% intend to pursue employment in medically underserved communi-

ties (MUCs).

We would suggest that are these are exactly the types of creative initiatives which SPTAs should explore at annual meetings and/or at interprofessional dinners with their local legal, nursing, pharmacy, social work and medical associations. Susan McDaniel's APA Presidency has been all about the opportunities ahead for visionary psychologists. States can be the catalysts.



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When I served as chair of the Board of Registration of Psychologists in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, at my request, I had quarterly meetings with the Executive Director of the MPA in order to maintain a positive relationship with the MPA. We were separate but not contentious or competitive.

4. *Describe your activities on the national/APA level which have strengthened or benefited SPTAs?*

I served on CAPP (Committee for the advancement of Professional Practice) for five years. During that time, I chaired the Grants Committee which was charged with reviewing SPTPA requests from financial support to maintain the organization to requests to enable prescriptive authority initiatives.

My term was the first year of Practice Directorate's Diversity Initiative with the OEMA. I played a role in orienting the diversity delegates to the APA and Practice Directorate. I initiated the annual photo taken at the dinner as well as photographs of the delegates who were elected presidents of their respective organizations.

While on the APA Board of Directors, I served as Chair of the Centering on Mentoring Task Force which was instrumental in the proliferation of mentoring awards across APA and the SPTAs. Mentoring provides relationships that can impact the recruitment and retention of members.

Also, I was the first senior member of the New Psychologist TF, the forerunner of the Early Career Committee. This appointment was a consequence of my successful tenure as co-chair of the New Psy-

chologist Program in the Massachusetts Psychological Association. The co-chair was one of my former post-doc fellows.

5. *What do you perceive as being the issues of greatest concern to the SPTAs, as organizations?*

Many of the SPTAs are facing financial challenges due to membership challenges. Limited financial resources can result in an inadequate lobby presence for the association at the state, provincial and territorial level. The decision makers must be kept aware of the unique training and skills that psychologists bring to the provision of mental health services.

6. *What do you perceive as being issues of greatest concern to members of SPTAs?*

The Affordable Care Act, shifting Medicare reimbursement rules and the encroachment of masters-educated practitioners into the territory where doctoral level psychologists one predominated all pose significant threats.

7. *If elected to the APA Presidency, what would you do to address these issues?*

I will work with APAPO to take steps to protect professional practice and establish the value added by the doctoral level education in the mind of the public.

8. *Other comments:*

My prime initiative of "psychology: every day in every way" will emphasize enhancing the presence of psychological services and research in public life, I want to place psychologists prominently on corporate and community boards, elected public office (especially at the local level), in other highly visible public roles. We need to be seated at the table and often at the head of the

table when decisions are made that affect people's health and welfare. Having served in such roles and having lobbied legislators or solicited corporate action, I know what can be accomplished. I want to get APA involved more directly in preparing our colleagues to step into these roles and place them there. Practitioners can play important roles in school boards, state insurance commissions, agency boards, corporate boards, and other such settings. I want APA more actively involved in helping this to happen.

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